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US protest at use of Soviet troops in Afghanistan coup

United States yesterday issued mal protest to Moscow at the of Soviet troops in the mistan coup. The Russians ed their airlift by saying they

had responded to an urgent request from the Kabul Government for help. President Brezhnev wished Mr Babrak Karmal, who came to power in the coup, much success.

Russians say airlift justified

proached the Soviet Union with an insistent request for argent political, moral and economic aid, including military aid."

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December 5, 1978—it "ap-address given by Mr Karmal lent Brezhnev today proached the Soviet Union with Soviet sources said the newshis warmest congratula. an insistent request for argent paper had advance warming of

to the coup.

Cheervers in Moscow noted that the phrasing of the statement was similar to that quoted by the Russians from Prague and used to justify the invasion of Creekesland in 1968. of Czechoslovakia in 1968. Tass also reported that "the bloody clique of Hafizuliah Amin and his flunkies, agents of American imperialism" had been overthrown. Quoting Kabul radio,

agency said that president
Amin was found guilty of
crimes against the Afghan
people and executed by the
sentence of the revolutionary

proclaimed in the country which would fight for the "final victory of the national-democratic, anti-feudal, anti-imperialist re-volution for the establishment of a free, independent Afghan-istan."

The Russians had poor re-lations with president Amin, whi overthrew the former Pre-sident Nur Muhammad Tarakki

the coup from Soviet personnel in Kabul as well as from local radio monitoring.

Tass gave prominence to Mr Karmal's piedges to respect "the sacred Islamic religion" as well as the family, national and popular tradicions, Afghan independence and democracy. One reason for the Russians' dislike of President Amin was his refusal to follow their advice to slow down the pace of reforms touching family and social life and religion which deeply antagonized rural tribesmen and fuelled the rebellion. The Soviet media have made no mention of the scale of troop reinforcements in Afghanistan, nor has there yet been

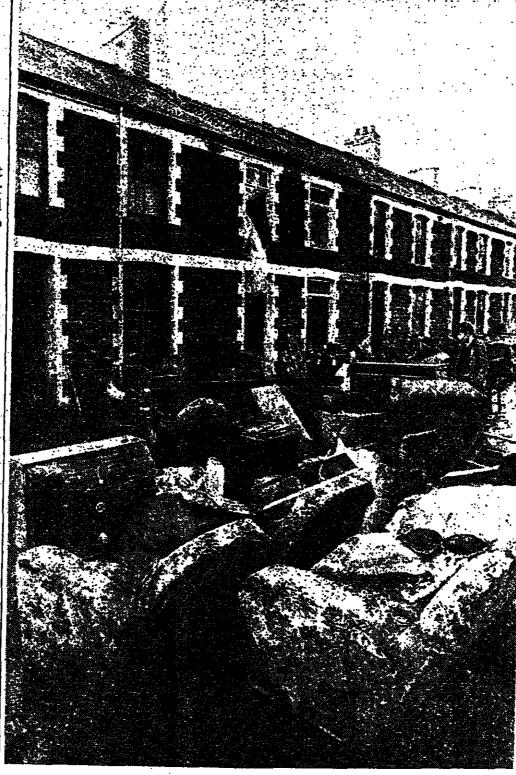
istan, nor has there yet been any reply to Western accusa-tions of Soviet interference in the country's internal affairs. Before news of the coup broke, the American Ambassador in Moscow yesterday discussed the Soviet airlift with Mr Viktor Maltsey, a Deputy Foreign Minister.

The 20-year treaty of friend-ship with Afghanistan, signed in Moscow last year and used in justification of Soviet military aid to quell the rebellion, says in its fourth clause that both countries shall consult countries shall consult other, and by agreement take "appropriate measures to ensure the security, independ-ence and territorial integrity of the two countries".

In order to strengthen their defence capacity, the two
parties agreed to "continue to
develop cooperation in the military field on the basis of appro-

in a bloody palace shoot-out on priate agreements."

The Russians have signed and so other such treaties with braced by President Breziment their friends throughout the moderne and to main and security and from the treaty of stopped its presses last night to annulled.



Furniture saved from flooded homes fills the streets of Trehafod, Rhondda Valley.

State cash to help flood areas

promised cash help to regions worst affected by the floods and storms of Thursday night. tary of State at the Department of the Environment, announced

that local councils would get 75 per cent of their spending above the product of a penny rate to repair damage to roads, bridges ind homes.

The announcement came as Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, went on a tour of South Wales towns particularly badly affected. Up to 2,000 people are thought to have been evacuated from their homes in South Wales. More than half of them

taken to emergency Mr Edwards visited Merthyr to homes.

repair their homes, to Trebafod and Cardiff, where several suburbs were still badly affected by flood water.

Across Britain, a big mopping up operation began as the flood waters ebbed slowly away, leaving nine people dead and hundreds of homes wrecked. In Wales, besides the towns of the industrial south, the central regious of the country were badly affected. Brecon in parti-cular suffered, with more than 500 homes and business pre-mises inundated with muddy brown water. Last night tankers were providing the town with fresh water supplies.

Near Brecon one farmer lost his flock of 400 sheep as he was attempting to move them to higher ground. Farmers throughout Wales reported that their livestock had been swept away by streams swollen into

In Cardiff, the National Sports Centre suffered damage esti-mated at £750,000. Council mated at £750,000. Council officials place a "conservative" estimate of £1m on destruction Tydfil, where residents oe. Last night one of the main manded cash aid to help to roads out of the city was still

their windows smashed Amergency services were fully stretched at Newton Abbot in South Devon and Bide-ford in North Devon. People were moved from their homes

after flood water up to 5ft deep swept through both towns. Several main roads were still

Yeovil. In Surrey, a labrador dog with rope tied to his collar swam through a rising river to rescue families, including two children, who were on holiday, were trapped on board a boat

trapped on board perched on top of a weir. The 56ft boat, Rapid, was swept on to the weir as it tried to navigate the swollen River

Wey near Guildford.
The four-year-old dog, Brutus,
was brought from a boathouse near by after one of the holidaymakers clambered across the weir, struggled to the bank and raised the alarm.

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Crewmen risk lives to tow blazing gas tanker out to sea

From Our Correspondent Exeter

A Cypriot freighter crew risked their lives to tow a burn-ing gas tanker out to sea off the South Devon coast yester-

The 11,000 tonne Spanish tanker, Butaseis, developed an engine room fire a mile off the tishing port of Brixham.

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"If it went up it would shower Brixham with debris and cause untold damage", an RAF rescue spokesman said. "It's a potential time bomb."

Torbay lifeboat took 17 crewmen and a woman to safety as the blaze raged out of control.

Two other crew stayed on board to steer the stricken tanker when she was taken in tow by the Cypriot freighter,

The Navy rug Typhoon last night had the tanker hove to still attached to a tow line four-

still attached to a tow kne four-miles north-east of Berry Head. The frigate HMS Anglesey and Daneb, were standing by. A naval spokesman said the plan was to let the fire burn itself out; if the ship was still afloat this morning a decision would be taken whether to

Culdrose airlifted fire-fighting equipment and a firefighting team from HMS Anglesey on to the blazing ship, carrying 750 tonnes of liquid petroleum

Salvage Officer, were soon forced to abandon ship with the two crewmen, who had

The fire crew activated an inert-gas fire-fighting system before abandoning ship.

"The Typhoon is trying to keep the ship into the wind to keep the flames to the aft", a Plymouth naval officer said. "We can do nothing more than sit it out. If the fire burns itself out during the night we can get back on

The Typhoon then secured a line to the tanker to row her to a safe position in midchannel.

A spokesman at the RAF Mountbatten Search and Rescue Coordination Centre said: "The main thing is to get her into a safe position so if there is an explosion there will be no dam-age to other shipping or pro-perty on shore."

The Civil Aviation Authority closed the lower levels of Air-way Amber 25, which passes over the tanker's position, be-

All aircraft were banned from flying below 20,000 feet in the area and naval aircraft kept a minimum distance of a mile from the tanker which was

Rhodesia polling dates set for February

m the House of Assembly will be on February 14 while that for the 80 black seats will be spread over three days from February 27. The election will be organized

in much the same way as the first majority rule poll held by the Rhodesian Government of National Unity in April but with a few changes.

One of the new provisions is that all used ballot papers will

be sent to Britain after the elec-ion and will be destroyed six months later unless required for any election petition.

They will be produced only

closed in the South-west last night. The Wessex Water Authority said that 4in of rain thad fallen in 24 hours at Yeovil. sioner, said this new provision was designed to increase confidence in the secrecy of the ballor

Removing the papers from Rhodesia should encourage people to vote for the party of their choice without fear that the papers would be examined for an analysis of votes, Mr Nicholas Fenn, spokesman

for Lord Soames, said tonight that although the Governor had complete discretion regarding the timing of the election and could in theory change the announced date, it was his firm intention to keep the dates given and would make changes "with profound reluc-

From Frederick Cleary
Salisbury, Dec 28
The dates for the Rhodesian general election were announced today by Lord Soames, the Governor.
It will be in two parts. The election for the 20 white seats much that used in the April election, when each voter's hand was stamped in indelible ink. He election for the 20 white seats much that the had not yet considered giving daily voting much the House of Assembly will be on February 14 while that the black seats as bad been the case in April. the case in April.

Every effort would be made to see that all citizens of Rhodesia had the opportunity to vote including those eligible from more than 200,000 refugees at present outside the country conference is to be held London next month between the British Government and the International Red Cross to devise the best means of re-patriating the refugees.

All parties contesting the 80 common roll seats have to be registered with the Attorney General by December 31. Nomination day for these candidates is January 21 and the nomination court will six for both black and white seats on

About two million people voted in April but it is believed that about a million voters ignored that poll, possibly because of intimidation or because the Patriotic Front was not represented,

The number of seats for the electoral districts was also announced, seats being allocated on the current population esti-mates. In Mashonaland West there is an increase of two to a total of eight seats and in Matabeleland North the number remains at 10.

Thet largest area is Masho-naland East, which includes Continued on page 4, col 1

Ar Carter cuts short holiday State Department officials are a major threat to Western

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cow and Kabul. While the officials have not yet determined whether the coup was expressly arranged by the Soviet Union, they believe that it had Moscow's full blessing. Whatever the final outcome,

the coup has reinforced the Administration's fears that Moscow is seeking to transform what was once a buffer state between East and West into a fully fledged Sovier safelline. In recent days Washington has protested to Moscow on several occasions about unwarranted Soviet intervention in the internal affairs of Afghanistan. State Department officials

estimate that in addition to the 6,000 Soviet troops in Afghanistan, there are 3,500 Soviet advisers in Kabul and a further 50,000 troops on the frontier. condemnation: The British Government yesterday condemned Russia's military intervention in Afghanistan. A Foreign Office statement said the Government believed "that the people of Afghanistan have the right to choose their own government without outside interference. Mr Naville Sandelson, Labour

MP for Hayes and Harlington, said that Britain must now strengthen her defence.

Seviet expansionism is now

concerned that it will lead to survival Britain must wake up even closer ties between Most to the dangers. Moscow simply exploits détente to her own advantage. We should resolve in the new year to call a halt to hypocrisy and to strengthen our defences", he said in a

Mr Sandelson said he knew that many of his Labour col-leagues would agree with him. *But others should open their eyes to the realities of naked Russian aggression 2. This was a reference to the

visit to Kabul by three left-wing Labour MPs, Mr Russell Kerr (Felrham), Mr Allan Roberts (Bootle) and Mr Dennis Canavan (Stirlingshire, West) to "ascertain the degree to which various reforms have been garried out". The MPs left on

Chinese fears: China implicitly expressed fears that the coup in Afghanistan was staged at the instigation of the Soviet In its first report on events

in Kabul, the official New China news agency pointed out that the Soviet news agency Tass had the Soviet news agency also subbeen "unusually quick" in reporting the coup Moreover, the coup had been "practically synchronized" with the widely reported Christmas airlift of more than 200 flights of Soviet troops and field equipment to Kabul.—Agence France-Presse.

Talks fail on new steel pay offer

By Donald Macintyre Labour Reporter

Rieventh-hour talks simed at averting the strike by 100,000 employees of the British Steel Corporation broke down last night. The strike is due to begin from Wednesday next

Earlier Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, and Mr Hector Smith, general secretary of the National Union of Blastfurnacemen, Ore Miners, Coke Workers and Kindred Trades, the minority union in

team of 90. An improved offer followed the corporation's offer, rejected by the unions last week, of national increases of 2 per cent across the board and a further 3 per cent in return for the abolition of the industry's guaranteed working week.

It was understood that a pro-posal to increase the 3 per cent component of the offer to 4 per cent with some conditions still arrached was not accepted Union leaders entered yesterday's negotiations expecting a negotiating significant improvement in the five hours.

Mr Sirs said as he arrived: "I expect that the corporation has come to realize the seriousness of the position and that it does not want to stop the in-

The talks between Mr Sirs, Mr Smith and Mr Robert Scholey, BSC's chief executive, started in mid-morning (the Press Association reports). The result of their preliminary negotiations was relayed to the members of the unions' full negotiating committees after

Russians patrol Kahul, page 4 | the talks, put amended pro-French MPs pass .000 fines Congressman starts inquiry into Shah

A United States Congressman visiting Iran on a self-appointed mercy mission to help the hostages said he was collecting evidence for a Congressional hearing on the alleged crimes of the Shah. The Soviet Ambassador in Tehran met Ayatollah Khomeini in the holy city of Qom Page 4

Turkey wants \$1,000m Turkey has asked Saudi Arabia for a loan of up to \$1,000m (£500m). Without the money, it says, the Government in Ankara will fall and there could be a takeover by extremists Page 4 Transport: Car travel has risen by 50 per

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Bill on taxes Both Houses of the French Parliamen have passed in record time a Bill enabling

the Government to collect taxes and make payments after the new year deadline. They refused however, to be stampeded into a quick vote of the 1980 Finance Bill and resumed their holidays Page 3

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Further price increases by petrol companies with warning of more to come

By Nicholas Hirst Energy Correspondent

BP, Mobil and Texaco raised the price of petrol by up to 4p a gallon of four-star from midnight last night as three nembers of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) announced increases in the cost of their crude oil from January 1.

In the past two days suppliers of 60 per cent of the petrol sold in Britain have raised their prices; Esso put 4p on a gallon of four-star on Thursday and Shell, which has a further 20 per cent of the petrol of t marker, increased its prices by 2p a gallon at the end of November.

All companies have em-

phasized that more rises are inevitable as individual Opec members increase costs after the breakdown of attempts to bring back a unified structure to oil pricing in Caracas last week. The eventual rise may be as much as &p a gallon on four-star.

54.50 above the record \$30 it set for its crude at Caracas.

Yesterday Venezuela Iraq, now the second largest Opec exporter, joined the prices free-for-all by raising the cost of their crude exports to about \$26 a barrel, once again isolating moderate Saudi Arabia as the cheapest source of Middle East crude at \$24 a barrel. Indonesia increased its prices to an average of \$28. It is the second rise Indonesia and Venezuela have announced within the last formight.

Kuwait, a supplier of 40 per cent of Shell United Kingdom's requirements, remains the last of the large Open exporters to announce prices for 1980, but it is expected to join the emerging middle range con-firmed by Iraq and Venezuela at about \$26 a barrel.

BP has increased its whole-sale price of four-staf by only 1.8p which is expected to trans-1.8p which is expected to translate to 2p at retail pumps. prices by 1.9p for all grades but has said that this rise accounts for only part of the 33 per cent increase in the cost of Saudi There were reports late last Arabian crude from \$18 to \$24 night that Libya, a leading pricing "hawk", was to increase its prices for 1980 by another a barrel; this meets more than half of Texaco's British require-

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WHY CHICKEN AND VEAL MAY LEAVE A NASTYTASTE IN YOUR MOUTH

We don't want to spoil the festive season, but will chicken and veal ever taste the same to you again?

The intensive system of farming means for example that, four or five hens stand in a cage little bigger than your television screen all their adult lives.

Veal calves are kept in crates less than 2 feet wide and are hardly able to move. Their flesh is kept unnaturally pale by the reduction of iron in their diet.

These systems are still legal and lawful in Britain today.

Is the price of chicken and veal too high to pay, not in terms of money, but of animal suffering? The RSPCA fights to prevent cruelty

to all creatures 365 days of the year. If you believe that the intensive methods of farming are unnecessary and inhumane and would like to help put an end to them, cut out, complete and post the coupon below today.

RSPCA, Canseway, Horsham, Sussex RH12 1HG. I realise this campaign is costing a lot of money and would like to help with a donation of £ Please send me details of membership of the RSPCA

Next time you have chicken or veal WE RECEIVE NO STATE AID will you be able to stomach it?

: Lee 11.31

refuses to stop 12p letter rate

By Patricia Tisdall

The Government has rejected a call to revise its financial targets for the Post Office in order to avert postal increases due in February. Replying to proposals by the Post Office Users' National Council (POUNC), Mr Adam Butler, Minister of State for Industry, regretted the necessity for regretted the necessity for increases but accepted that the chairman of the Post Office, Sir William Barlow, bad to take

whatever steps were required to meet its financial targets. The increases have been made necessary primarily by this year's wage settlements with Post Office employees, Mr Butler said. "If wage increases are not paid for through increased productivity, they must inevitably result in reduced services or lead to increased tariffs unless they are financed by the taxpayer. Government is not prepared to accept the last course." The decision enables the Post Office to raise the first and second class letter rates by 2p to 12p and 10p respectively from February. POUNC wanted part of the increase to be held back until perceptible productivity improvements were made. tivity improvements were made and the result of next year's

wage scittlement was known. The Post Office accepts that the increases will bring a fail in postal traffic. Its confidential internal forecasts are that the number of letters posted annually will fall by 6 per cent to less than 8,600 million during the next five years. The medium-term plan originally forecast that letter traffic would remain muchly stable at about remain roughly stable at about 9,100 million items until 1983-84, when it was expected to fall to about 8,800 million.
A further revision downwards

is expected next year since traffic assumptions are based on an inflation rate of only 15 per cent in the current finan-cial year and 13 per cent in

It seems unlikely that the Post Office can avert a price rise in the next financial year since only 11 per cent has been allowed for wage increases. The costal service is heavily labour intensive, with wages account-ing for more than three quar-

ters of total costs.

The Post Office last month launched a two-year plan to increase productivity and improve reliability. But it says that will not produce enough money in a year to meet the increased costs arising from

the last pay settlement.
Without February's increases, it estimates that the postal business stands to lose £35m this financial year and £212m in the twelve months to March 31, 1981.

Children 'worse off' at end of

The Infornational Year of the Child in Britain had been a "scandalous failure". Mr Brian Jackson director of the National Educational Research and Development Trust, said yesterday. He said much of the blame

on the Labour and Conserva-tive Governments whom he criticized for their "anti-child"

artitudes.

No comparable country has a worse record than Britain, Mr Jackson said in a report to the National Children's Centre, which is linked with the trust. The said evidence is that children in Britain are worse of at the end of this muchesclaimed year than they were

when it began.
"Many voluntary groups have tried their damadest, but all our efforts have been wiped ut by the indifferent or anti-inild attitude of both the abour and Conservative Gov-

ont and the nursery school own resources the service they offer could suffer, he said. The forced of claim was made because of other could minders and work-increased costs of motoring. After staff salaries and VAT.

Hain memorandum issued

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to members of the council the exact position of sport in the republic, as seen by Mr Hain, and to enablish conditions which "have to be fully satisfied if South Africa is to be reconded for the demission to

concidered for readmission to

Mr Hain describes his initia-

tive as a "kind of pre-emptive

trike". He said yesterday that he did not fear the truth being known about sport in South Africa, rather that the forth-

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Mr Peter Hain, on hehalf of Step All Racist Tours (SART), has responded to an advertisement placed in The Observation of Sport in South Parties and Step All Racist Tours (SART), has responded to an advertisement placed in The Observation of Sport in South Parties of Step All Racist Tours (SART), has responded to an advertisement of the DOI: Tours (SART) and the DOI: Tours (SART)

has responded to an advertise-ment, placed in The Observer for the Sports Council, by issu-lar at least responded to an advertise. Mr Hain, in his memorandum,

Government | Car travel rose 50% during past decade

9 to 7 per cent. Cycling stayed at 1 per cent and air travel at 0.5 per cent, according to the Government's latest national transport statistics.

Spending on motoring rose from £3,000m in 1968 to f12,800m last year, of which £5,600m was on car purchase, £3,500m on petrol, and £2,300m

on repairs and maintenance.

Total transport spending by users rose from £7,400m to £26,300m representing a household average of £10.90 (13.6 percent of the family budget) in 1978 compared with £3.27 (13.1 per cent, in 1968. This included an average of £3.98 on car buying, £4.68 on car running, £2p on rail fares, and 88p on bus and coach fares. on repairs and maintenance.

By Our Transport

Correspondent

Britons travel 25 per cent
more than a decade ago and
spend four times as much on
domestic travel.

Ca reravel rose by 50 per

The proportion of freight
transport moving by road fell
from 85 to 83 per cent in the
decade, and that by rain from
11 to 10 per cent, while pipeline
traffic rose from 1.6 to 4.5 per
cent, and coastal shipping from
26 to 3 per cent. The tonnage Ca reravel rose by 50 per cent, and from 74 per cent to 81 per cent, and from 74 per cent to 81 per cent of total travel during of road freight fell by 12 per 1968-78, while bus and coach travel fell from 15 per cent to 11 per cent, and rail travel from 15 per cent because of a steady rise in the length of haul.

Energy used for transport increased by 33 per cent in the decade, during which total energy use rose by only 5 per cent. By last year transport accounted for 23 per cent of the country's rotal energy consump-

The car population, which had been 900,000 in 1928, 1,990,000 in 1948, and 4,650,000 in 1958, rose from 11,078,000 in 1968 to 14,417,000 last year. The motor-cycle population, which haived from 1,842,000 in 1961 to 993,000 in 1972, had risen again to 1,211,000 last year. Transport Statistics Great Britain 1968-1978. (Stationery Office E7.)

BR commuter lines get new de-icing trains

rupts power supply, is introdu-cing measures both to combat wintry conditions and to keep passengers informed.

since last winter. They will run

By Our Transport

Correspondent

Southern Region's 400,000 the region's 5,000 commuter rrains running on January 24, chance this winter of getting to work in bad weather than for many years.

British Rail Southern Region, whose third-rail electric trains are most vulnerable to winter we are better equipped to conditions because of ice on the conductor rail which interrupts power supply, is introdu-

To keep travellers better in-formed on train running and cancellations, the press office at Waterloo will be on 24-hour Six new de-icing trains, manning and regular up-to-the-which spray a special oil on the minute bulletins will be broad-conductor rails to free ice cast on local radio stations. have been brought into service Besides the fleet of 16 de-Besides the fleet of 16 de-icing trains, a further £500,000, over the system every night equal to expenditure over the between January and March past four years, is to be spent and not just on those nights on heating points at key junc-before the day snow and ice tions to stop them being have been forecast. immobilized by ice.

BL puts up prices of its best-selling small cars

BL yesterday announced a number of selective price in-creases for its cars, putting the biggest rises on its best-selling small cars and excluding en-tirely some of the large saloons with heavy petrol consumption.

The new prices, which become effective on ex-factory advertise those stocks at preson to have seaways considered as increase prices, and with the motorways. He could also look a per cent. The Mimi City 850, substantial discounts being at air services, shipping secate the bottom of the range, goes offered, it should make BL cars vices local bus services and

4 per cent. The Mini City 850, at the bottom of the range, goes up by 3.95 per cent, from £2,404 to £2,499, while the Allegro 1300 two-door, which is enjoying a belated boost in sales because of its economy and competitive pricing, goes up by 4.3 per cent, to £3,346.

BL's family saloon, the Marina 1700 four-door, inof its losing fight against more modern rivals from Ford,

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with heavy petrol consumption.
The prices of Rover saloons,
Range Rovers, and the 12cylinder Jaguar XJS are unchanged Demand for all large
cars has fallen sharply throughrurope because of the
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The ment is surprising
widely forecast for later
month However, by bringing it forward the hard-pressed company has given its dealers
welcome assistance in the
effort to reduce showroom
stocks at a time of record

estimated to be costing 12m.

creases by only 2.5 per cent, to that h £3,851; that that is a reflection mical.



£30m oil income sets problem for Orkney

From Our Own Correspondent

The Orkney Islands Council is debating whether it should employ an expert to advise it on how best to spend 430m.

The money comes mainly from the oil industry on the island of Flotta, in Scapa Flow, which pays about £700,000 a year into a council reserve fund designed to ease the long-term effects of oil on the island way of life. Orkney has a population of 18,000.

Some councillors believe an economist is needed to help steer Orkney through its difficult oil era. Others fear that the right calibre of man would com-mand such a high salary, to-gether with his own department, that he would become unecono

The council's policy and resources committee, voted narrowly to support the principle of appointing a full-time man and the council drew up a list of the jobs he might tackle. The inventory included several tasks which were only margin-ally oil-related but have become celebrated causes in Orkney's argument with the mainland. The economist could improve

the Orkney case for having a much more competitive.

The announcement also serves to avoid a clash with the "buy British" advertising campaign being launched by evaluate existing industries and provide guidelines for their future of the constant of the provide guidelines for their future of the constant of the con

Other jobs might include monitoring the Orkney Struc-ture Plan, countryside and con-servation projects and preparing economic reports on specific island communities to show where the maximum effort should be made to ensure pros-

The list leaves a picture in the minds of Orkney councillors of either a corporation wizard, or a classic example of Parkinson's Law taking hold and requiring an oil-supported reserve fund to keep it going.

Professor Ronald Miller, of Streetment areas and the Column Stronness, agreed that Orkney had a lot to worry about, but said that he doubted that one man alone could cope with the problems. He suggested that the universities offered a reservoir of expertise which could be thread when required

be tapped when required. Mr Alastair Scholes, chair-man of the standing sub-commitee dealing with applications to the reserve fund, was certain that an economist was required. Over the next 30 years, he said, the fund would have about £30m to deal with each there was no one at present who could advise how it might be used to the best benefit of the community.

The council is wairing to

The council is waiting to since 1971. learn how much money it has lost in the collapse of a local boat-building company in which which a skilled economist might have been able to advise. Mr Graeme Lapsley, chief executive of the council, said an economist would undoubtedly help in making correct
decisions. "He would not be
expected to do the whole lot
himself but to work with council officials to the overall good
of Orkney"

that the effect of the Bill weeks.

Weeks.

The third change that the Bill proposes is to forbid emy charity to own and control both a pregnancy advisory reasons and that would be reversed by Mr Corrie's Bill.

Middle class women had financial interest in an abortal abortions for such reasons, but the 1967 Act had opened up cerned about this clause.

Battle lines drawn for Corrie abortion Bill

By a Staff Reporter

One of the most controversial Bills wairing to come before Parliament next term is the Abortion (Amendment) Bill, 1979. Its supporters hope it will be considered by the House of Commons on February.

Although the wording has been heavily amended in the committee stage, which ended last week, the three main changes that the original Bill proposed to make to the present law remain substan-tially the same.

The Bill, which was introduced as a private members' Bill by Mr John Corrie, Conservative MP for North Ayr-shire and Bute, will change the existing criteria for abortion, bring down the maximum time limit for abortion from 28 weeks to 20 weeks, and sub-stantially alter the services which the abortion charities

may provide.

The opponents of the Bill are less concerned about the reduction in the upper time limit than about the other two changes. The number of abor-tions performed after 20 weeks have made up only about 1 per cent of the total each year

Mrs Madeleine Simms, chairman of the Coordinating Com-mittee in Defence of the 1967 that the effect of the Bill

such possibilities to working class women as well, she said. The committee, which includes among its members Tories for Free Choice, thinks the Bill will lead to a substantial increase in backstreet abortions. The wording of Mr Corne's Bill on the criteria for abortion has been changed in committee has been changed in committee by amendments from Mr Wil-liam Benyon, Conservative MP for Buckingham.

Under the 1967 Act, an abor-Under the 1967. Act, an abortion can be carried out if the risk to the mother's health of continuing the pregnancy is greater than that of having an abortion. Mr Benyon amended that in committee to say that an abortion was allowable only when the risk of continuing the pregnancy was "substantially greater than having an abortion.

Mr Benyon explained vester-Mr Benyon explained yester-day that because of the statisti-cal argument that having a baby elways involved a greater risk than having an abortion, the existing clause had been used to give women abortion on de-mand, which had not been the intention of the Act.

He agreed with the opponent of the Bill in thinking that the of the Bull in minking that the change in criteria was more important than the reduction in the upper time limit. He thought that the time limit might be changed by amendments on the filor of the House of Commons.

Coat of arm awarded to Scottish dog club

Edinburgh A Scottish dog club has st cessfully petitioned the Lyon King of Arms for Lette Patent and Ensigns Armori. In the first award of its kin arms have been granted to the South of Scotland German She herd Dog and All Breeds Trai

ing Club.
Future events organized the club will be ennobled a display of azure arms wi an alsazan in show stan proper between two gold hal in saltire argent. Beneath the arms runs the motto Breed and Obedience, Secor

to None".

The erms will be added the thousands of Scottish a morial bearings guarded ar maintained with a strict ev by the Lord Lyon although th entry of a dog club into suc august company might seem

little incongruous.

A glance through the arm
of the ancient territories of the ancient territories of Scottish clans or considerab families shows barely a ha of a dog among them. Ther are stags, eagles, bulls, wolve wild boar and lyons galore. The Lyle, Lord Lyle, has a cocierel in perplexed pose.

Both The Mackintosh an Clany Macpherson include extremely vicious looking cats excircled by the caveat "touc not the cat but a "glove" an Maximue of Cultoquhey has a insect with wings rampant. The Arms of Hunterston show a helmet on which sit show a helmet on which su a hound with a crown-like co

lar, but the canine world seem otherwise poorly represented.
The Lord Lyon approached the Kennel Club as the most senior dog body in Britain to inquire whether they had arm which it would be appropriat to echo in the Scottish club bearings. The Kennel Club wa mable to trace the antecedent

imable to trace the antecedent of its own emblem, two dog in begging posture holding up a device like a milistone en circling the initials KC.

A rather formal "coat o arms" existed in the early par of the century which had in corporated an Irish Harp. It was replaced by the present emblem Miss Ellen Bonthron, secre tary of the Scottish club explained: "We decided that although we were not the oldest show in Scotland we reckoned we were the foremost with dual championship status in breed. championship status in breeding and obedience. We are very proud of ourselves and that is why we petitioned the Lord Lyon."

Telephone charge rise postponed

Telephone coin-box charges that were due to go up in the new year will not be increased for up to three weeks.

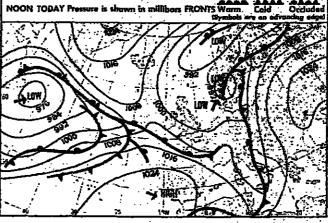
Post Office engineers expection take that long to convert.

Britain's 360,000 payphones from 2p to 5p minimum charge. Work starts next week.

Correction

In yesterday's motoring column, the price of the Mini in 1970 was wrongly given as \$169. This should have read £619. And the share of the British car market taken by importers in 1979 is about 55 per.

Weather forecast and recordings



the north of Scotland and parts of Ireland have yet to be completed. Admirally Tide Tables with predicted heights given in metres were first published in 1972. Heights were given additionally in feet until coverage with metric charts was adequate. The conversion factor is one foot=0.3048 metres, and one metre=3.28084ft. 3.59 pm Tomorrow San rises: San sets: 8.5 am 4.0 pm Moon sets: Moon rises:
4.37 am 2.17 pm
Full moon: January 2.
Lighting up: 4.30 pm to 7.36 am.

A shallow low will move SE into the North Sea. Forecasts for 5 am to minnight:
London, Midlands, Lake District.
NW, SE, central 5 and central N
England, SW Scotland: Bright or
sunny intervals and whatey showers
graduilly dying out; wind W
moderate; max temp 4° or 5°C
(39° to 41°F).
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the evening near coasts; wind W or NW moderate; max temp 4°C (39°F).

SW England, N and S Wales, Argyll, N Ireland, Channel Islands, iste of Man: Scattered wirry showers, sunny innervols; wind W fresh or strong; max temp 5°C (41°F).

(41°F).

Glasgow, Edinburgh, Dunder:
Smith Intervals, winty showers,
more especially at first; wind NW,
moderate: max temp 4°C (33°F).

Moray Firth, Aberdeen, central WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : 5, Cloud ; f, fair ; m,



Highlands, NE and NW Scotland
Orkney, Shetland: Bright inter
vals, sleet or snow showers, pro
longed at times, heavy with hai
and chunder possible; wind N or
NW, moderate or fresh; max temp
3° or 4°C (37" to 39°F).
Outlook for tomogrow, and Mon
day: Continuing rather could
sunny intervals and wintr
showers, chiefly in the N and E
overnight frost.
Sea passages: S North Sea
Strait of Dover: Wind SW, veer
rough.

rough.
English Channel (E), St George:
Channel, Irish Sea: Wind NW:
fresh to strong, perhaps gale at
times; Sea rough or very rough.

Yesterday

London: Temp; max, 6 am ft.
6 pm, 5°C (41°F); min, 6 pm ft.
6 am, 2C (36°F). Humidire, 1;
pm, 72 per cent. Rain, 24 hr ft.
6 pm, 683 in. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm.
13 ir. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm.
1007.2 millibars, steady.
1,000 millibars=29.53 in.



expenses award By John Roper Health Services Correspondent

Family doctors are to get £400 a year added to their average practice expenses of £5,000, the Government an-

nounced yesterday. The British Medical Associa-tion had claimed an extra £700 It Jackson added: "In a year. Dr Elston Grey-Turner, secretary of the association, said the award, made by the doctors' and dentists' review doctors' and dentists' review body, was disappointing. Unless the year was ending with cuts in school meois and transport and the nursery school programme in ruins.

GPC earnings and expenses for the nation as a memorial and secondly, increased costs. to his father, Lord Allander,

tration of sport in South Africa

ecknowledges that there have been changes in the last decode

which by South African stan-

dards are significant . . but be world standards superficial. They have, furthermore, been brought about by world isola-

The conditions sought by

SART include a public commitment by the South African Government to a fully integrated non-racial sports 575

tem; exemption of all aspects of sport from the apartheid laws: an Act of Parliament for

bidding racially exclusive rules of membership of sports clubs;

Africa, rather that the formcoming visit of a commission of
the Sports Council to South
Africa might be fobbed off

with half-truths.

Me is concerned to see "that the right questions are asked of the right places. After all, the adminis-

GPs disappointed | Sir Hugh Fraser buys Iona for the nation

landed from Ireland in AD 563 to create the "cradie of Scottish Christianity", formally became the trust's property ezriy yesterday.

Iona was put on the market in May by the 10th Duke of Argyil. The Argyil family has owned the island since 1695 but the present Buke was forced to sell to meet death duties.

respond minuters and working parents and none of the staif salaries and VAT.

In making the award the Scotland had been rejected by the National Trust for the Finer report on single parent families had found Parliamentary action and time.

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By Ian Bradley

The island of Iona has been bought by the National Trust for Scotland with money made available by Sir Hugh Fraser.

The island, where St Columba cheer the purchase price of the island, and an endowment for its maintenance. The abbey and other historic buildings and other historic buildings and sites on Iona were not included in yesterday's sale as the control of the island. they are permanently in the care of the Iona Cathedral Trusteet, a body created by a previous Duke of Argyll in

The part of the island taken over by the National Trust for Scotland comprises 1,397 acres, with two farms, 15 crofts and common grazing land. The population of the island is about 80.

The purchase of Iona by the trust has been welcomed by Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, and the trustees of the 10th Duke of Argyll. A trust official said Argyll. A trust official said ness and Mr Stanikis's behathat it would be sending a viour before he was arrested indigenation early in the new dicated that he was suffering from a lack of oxygen to his with the island's community brain.

Speelman takes revenge in Hastings chess

From Harry Golombek Chess Correspondent Hastings

whose varied interests in ascending order of importance include politics, music and chess.

Owing to the late arrival of some of the competitors, two games were postponed. They were those between the Rus-sians, Makarithey and Georgadre and between the Yugoslav Rajcevic and the American grandmaster Eiriasas, A quick result came in the

game between the youngest competitor Nigel Short, aged

has a lot to learn about the Nimzoindian defence.

Hastings
One of the strongest Histings
premier tournaments of recent
Liberson but Michael Stean, years was opened yesterday by niter exerting strong pressure Partick Moore, the astronomer, against Lein, blandered and will have some difficulty in saving the ending. Seirawan, the junior world

champion, had a hard fight with the Swedish grandmaster, Uis Andersson. They looked level for some time until Seirawan got into time trouble. Seirawan got into time trouble. Pennsylvania, last March. It Andersson should win the end- will probably be the first of ing. Though Nunn nas a material adventage against the Though Nunn has a American grandmuster Christiansen, his own king is so exposed to attack that a draw looks very likely, and the game between Zilber and Bellin also

kis, aged 58, was stated to have shown sign of being drunk, but tests showed no alcohol. Recording a verdict that Mr Stankis, of Cornwall Place, Bradford, died of natural causes, Mr James Turnbull, the

Two policemen cleared of blame

for man's death

Police officers who arrested a

man who died in custody were

exonerated at an inquest in

Bradford yesterday from blame for his death. Mr Juozas Stanis-

From Our Correspondent

coroner, said Mr Staniskis was refused hospital treatment and the two police officers, two are-bulance men and a hospital porter could be forgiven for thinking there was nothing wrong with him.

Dr Ivan Horsfield, a pathologist, said some medical con-ditions could simulate drunken-

Sgt Ivan Carroll said that Mr Staniskis, who was refusing to have an ambulance, was told by him and Constable David Sherwood to go home, but was arrested after trying to get into a car. While on their way to the police station it became apparent that Mr Staniskis was ill and he was dead when they got back to the hospital.

Assessing the risks of nuclear power

Britain has decided to place an order for a new nuclear power station. Basically it will be to the same design 25 the one that went badly wrong at Three Mile Island, many in Britain.

How dangerous will they be? Is a nuclear plant at the bottom of your garden more of a risk than, say, your next car ride or cigarette? One way of trying to answer such questions is through the new science of risk assessment. Bryan Silcock, science correspondent, reports in tomorrow's Sunday Times.

NOON TODAY

Sun rises : 8.6 am Moon sets: Moon rises: Moon sets: Moon rises:
3.25 am 1.42 pm
Fall moon: January 2.
Lighting up: 4.29 pm to 7.36 am.
High water: London Bridge, 10.0
am, 6.5m (21.3ft); 10.45 pm, 6.7m
(22.1ft); Avoumouth, 3.16 am;
10.9m (35.8ft); 3.55 pm, 11.5m
(37.6ft). Dover, 7.4 am, 5.9m
(19.4ft); 7.49 pm, 5.9m (19.2ft).
Huli, 2.2 am, 6.5m (21.5ft); 2.56
pm, 6.5m (21.3ft). Liverpool, 7.42
am, 8.1m (26.7ft); 8.7 pm, 8.4m
(27.6ft).
The measurement of high water

The measurement of high water in The Times weather forecast and recordings will be given in metres and High water: London Bridge, 11.13 and 6.5m (21.5ft): 11.53 pm, 6.5m (22.6ft). Avonmonth, 4.25 am, 11.4m (37.5ft): 4.59 pm, 12.0m (22.6ft). Dover, 8.1ft am, 6.0m (20.6ft): 8.15 pm, 6.0m (19.8ft): 8.15 pm, 6.0m (21.5ft): 9.8 pm, 10.7m (22.4ft): 1.5m (22.4ft)

East Anglia, Borders, E and NE England: Bright intervals, sleet or snow showers, some heavy with-hall and thunder continuing into

ubstandard ships ice £50,000 nes under new Act

ichael Baily ing Correspondent tain is to take tougher against substandard ships ig its ports from next

sters and owners of sus-vessels will become liable vessels will become liable es of up to 550,000 com-with a previous maximum 000 under sections of the tant Shipping Act, 1979, came into force on New Day. Spot checks on g ships are to be intensi-

close the loophole-some close the loophole—some ing ships merely sail and reappear—of long, drawn proceedings, possibly h the courts of their own al flag (which may be a f convenience), the fines to imposed on summary non in magistrates' courts can be convened within

50,000 fine is unusually or magistrates to impose, ick action is seen as an al element of effective

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Correspondent

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tranium mining.

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mobilizing their ranks British Rail's ban on

ful developed committees such as the United States, Japon and those of Western Europe. It also involves those countries that produce substandard ships which could be "convenience". Higs where identification and punishment of such ships can be difficult:

Owners who operate substan-Owners who operate substandard ships or crews with impunity under such flags will be much less likely to do so if faced with a threat of action by developed countries on whom in the last resort their cargoes and livelihood depend. Britain's own surveillance force consists of about five hundred marine surveyors of the Department of Trade who inspect ships in British ports

at random.

They are highly qualifiedmen, naval architects or marine engineers and possibly ships' masters, whose further recruit-ment is Emited only by Government financial constraints. But the section did escape curtailment in the recent Covern-ment expenditure cuts.

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est way to reduce marine
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Five offences attract £50,000
frender assistance after a collision; proceeding from a United
Kingdom port in contravention
of a detention order; carrying
more passengers than a certificate allows; contravening raffic y element in that police lanes; and unfitness to go to is involvement of the sea without serious danger to is that use shipping life.

crisis pushes sales to highest point since the war

Earth, who are encouraging their members to write to Sir

Peter Parker, chairman of the British Railways Board, and to their local MP. They are also collecting signatures for a

petition.

British Rail has had about

The cyclists' cause is sup-ported in an article this week in the British Medical Journal,

Pig disease 'eradicated' in 1976 has cost £1.75m

By Hugh Clayton
Agriculture Correspondent
The Government has spent
almost \$1.75m\$ this year on
efforts to contain a pig disease
which it said in 1976 had been
eradicated from Britain. The
money was spent on compensating farmers for the statutory
slaughter of more than 37,000
pigs. pigs.
The animals had swine vest-

the animals had swipe vest-cular disease, a highly contagious condition which causes sores on the skin and feet and makes animals lame. The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food announced the total spent yesterday when it said that two suspected cases of the disease in I appreciate had

it said that two suspected cases of the disease in Lancashire had been confirmed.

Most of the 41 outbreaks this year have been in northern England, and the cause has not heen traced. Animal imports are severely restricted and outbreaks of the disease in Britain are notifiable under the Diseases of Animals Act 1950. The disease was first found in Britain almost seven years ago and the transfer of pigs ago and the transfer of pigs between farms and from farms to markets is controlled by law.
This year has been the worst
since 1975 for the disease, and
about 250,000 injected pigs
have been slaughtered since the
disease appeared in this

country.

The disease can be spread quickly by contact between ammais, by lorries and through swill feeds.



French MPs pass Bill to allow tax collection but refuse to be stampeded into budget vote

battle has subsided. Deputies and senators ensured in record time yesterday and noday that the Government would not have to default on its payments on January 1 by voting a Bill to enable it to go on raising taxes beyond this deadline.

The vote was tarried against a situal barrage of Companies

The vote was carried against a ritual barrage of Communist and Socialist amendments, which were all predictably lost. But the parliamentarians showed their independence by refusing to be stampeded by the Government and going through the hoops again, as they were forced to during the regular session on no fewer than four session on no fewer than four occasions by the Government's use of Article 49, which enables the Government to pass a Bill without a vote.

They balked at voting a new finance Bill for 1980 in double quick time and the paid to the

quick time, and put paid to the new year truce.

They have now gone back to the mountains or to their constituencies, to resume the interrupted holidays, sound out grass roots enjoing the white Parlia.

roots opinion (to which Parliament often seems strangely impervious) and perhaps reflect on the significance of the imbroglio in which they all have some share of responsibility. The extraordinary session will be resumed on or about January

Black inspector: Mr Ronald

first black inspector in the

Metropolitan Police yester-day and spent his first morn-

ing at Marylebone dealing

with press, radio and tele

vision interviews. Black youths, he believed, were afraid of what their friends

might think if they joined the police; he hoped that his

promotion would encourage them. Mr Hope was born in

south London of a Guyanese

father and an English mother, and joined the police in April, 1973.

Police get

fire death

phone call

From Our Correspondent

investigating the murder of three young brothers who died from burns in Hull earlier this

Det Supt Ronald Sagar, who is leading the investigation,

said the call was made a few minutes after midnight on

Thursday. The caller had dialled 999 and his message,

pause, was recorded.

caller had

This extraordinary session may have been a command performance forced by the Government upon reluctant parlia-mentarians. But almost all of them feel instinctively that the it is not quite cricket.

were called upon to act was a bad one. They feel that the spectators, namely the French spectators, namely the French people, have not been impressed by the quality of the actors or their choice of script, The first reaction of each of the parties involved was to blame others—the President, the Prime Minister, the Presi-dent of the National Assembly, the Giscardians, the Guillists.

the Giscardians, the Gaullists, and the Opposition. That leaves only the Constitutional Council blameless, save for its excess of zeal.

to pin the blame on the authorto pin the blame on the author-producer of this poor parliar-mentary performance, M Ray-mond Barre, the Prime Minister. As M François Mitterrand, the Socialist leader, remarked yesterday, "he simply forged ahead without bothering about the goarsing of the secretary of the se

ahead without bothering about the constitution."

President Giscard d'Estaing, draping himself in the role of guardian of the constitution, had given the lead by pointing an accusing finger at him. The President recalled in an official statement that he had twice expressed doubts about the conduct of the budget debate; and that the second run of the that the second run of the Finance Bill must be "strictly in accordance with the funda-mental laws". Bur after all, M Barre's broad

shoulders can take it (his proverbial equaninity is proverbial equaninity is reported to be quite unshaken). That is what, under the Fifth Republic, the Prime Minister is there for, to ward off attacks against the President, even if M Mitterrand said: "The President's way of taking refuge behind his Government, which he directs in a hair-splitting fashion does not correspond to the spirit of the constitution."

There are already indications that for the French man in the street this quarrel about who is to blame is both useless and beside the point. President Giscard d'Estaing, a past-master in the art of taking the drama out of French political controversies, insists that the whole affair of the mishandled budget is a purely procedural one.

The Gaullists see it as one of principle; and the Opposition as one of substance, namely the executive's contempt for

Certainly, whoever is blame, the prestige of the National Assembly does not emerge enhanced from the budgetary ordeal. The Government's repeated use of Article 49 to force through important legislation without a vote, is perfectly legal. Unrepentant, it is preparing to use it at least twice more in January to get the budget through.

the budget through.

The question remains, however, whether it is politically opportune. Irrespective of who is to blame, to reduce Parliament to the role of a rubber stamp is to place the executive, first the Prime Minister. first the Prime Minister, and next the President, directly into the firing line.
The founding fathers of the

1958 constitution had not provided for a majority which supported the Government, as the Gaullists are doing, by fits

Spaniards take to democratic freedoms

From Harry Debelius Madrid, Dec 28

Madrid, Dec 28

With the publication of a decree signed by King Juan Carlos, Spain's new democratic constitution became the constitution became the supreme law of the land a year ago on December 29.

The drive for freedom was accelerated two years before that when the Spanish people accepted an invitation, the like of which they had not heard in

nearly 40 years: to vote freely on whether they favoured democratic reform. "Speak, people, speak", said the carchy government-spon-sored singing commercial. And they did. They voted si overwhelmingly on December 15, 1976, giving the Prime Minis-ter, Senor Adolfo Suarez the authority he needed to begin dismanding the institutions of the Franco regime and erecting the framework of a constitutional monarchy.

That referendum made the drafting of the constitution possible. It, in turn, was approved by referendum on December 6, 1978, and came approved into force by the end of that The guarantees are ample

and right up to date. Spain's constitution not only takes into account classic definitions of freedom, it even promises such things as freedom against com-puterized snooping. Article 18 states: "The law will limit the use of computers in order to guarantee the honour and personal and family privacy of citizens and the full exercise of their rights."

There have been some stum-bling blocks along the route to liberty, however, and there is still some distance to be covered. Most of the obstacles took the form of antiquated legislation, still on the books and apparently contradicting the constitution.

Most Spaniards seem to have faith in a general desire by their elected representatives to revise such legislation as soon as possible and, with a few notable exceptions, the courts seem to be taking into account the spirit of the constitution as much as the letter of the existing law.

For that reason the shouts of "Franco, Franco, Franco", which echoed through the streets of Madrid last month the fourth anniversary of the Generalissimo's death were more a reminder of the past than a threat for the future.

langer the only ones allowed to demonstrate. The new freedom is evident. women take to the streets to abortion. Justice Ministry officials go on strike for better working conditions, leaving births and deaths temporarily

unregistered.
Old-age pensioners demonstrate to call attention to their demands for better retirement pay. Spanish homosexuals are declaring themselves and the head of the Spanish consumers organization takes on state-protected Goliath, the national telephone company, over a controversial rate riseand wins.

The proliferation of discos.

pubs, teahouse, and the like are evidence that Spain's youth is enjoying new found free-dom. Although the strict laws on "coming of age" are mostly still on the books. Spanish fathers are giving their daughters more rein. The youth oriented establishments always seem crowded despite the lack of spending money linked to rising unemployment, particularly among school leavers.

also confusion about the limits of authority in a free country. Not everybody is happy and the far right still choruses the slogan "under Franco we lived Some of them certainly did

but many dissenters live better

Drug addiction deaths rise in West Berlin

Some 79 people have died through misuse of drugs in West Berlin this year, the youngest aged 16. After a drop from 84 deaths in 1977 to 62 last year, this means an increase

addicts in the city is not known.
Experts say another 1,000 should be added to the police figure of 2250 known heroin

account for the fact that this year close to 4,000 offenders in the drug field were registered by the police, a 25 per cent increase on last year. Criminal offences connected with drugs went up by about 15 per cent

Chance of reopening **Rock frontier fades**

From Our Correspondent Madrid, Dec 28

The chance of a late Christmas gift for Gibraltarians, in the form of a temporary opening of the frontier with Spain, faded today as the Spanish Par-liament adjourned until the second week in January.

Señor Alejandro Rojas Marcos, the leader of the Andalucian Socialist Party, had tabled a question for the Goverument earlier this week, ask-ing about the possibility of opening the border which has remained closed for 10 years. sequently a threat to the lives of those living in the Gibrakar area and to all Spaniards." as a humanitarian gesture and evidence of good will towards the people of Gibraltar and of that part of Andalucia which borders on it." The newspaper asked whether the Spanish Government could "guarantee that there is no possibility of an

However, there was no time for an answer before Parlia-ment adjourned. The last hope that Gibraltarian and Andalu-cian relatives might be spared the frustrations of having to shout their greetings through the chain-link fence, lies with the Cabinet, which is to hold a regular meeting tomorrow. But political observers thought it unlikely that the matter would be considered at the meeting.

of the citizens of another country." Other prominent Spanish

to the Rock because it has in-staled a naval base there with

nuclear weapons, which is con-

politicians including Senor Manuel Fraga Iribarne, the

traditionally exchanged on the feast of the Epiphany, or January 6, rather than on Christmas Day.

Gibraltar has been in the news in Spain often during the

Lisbon's Portela airport was past few months, and Spanish Socialists have several times urged the Government to reopen the frontier.
A leading article in Madrid's morning newspaper, Hoja del Lunes, claimed on December 10: "Great Britain holds on

airport workers.

The airport control-tower staff threaten to strike on Monday in protest largely against what they deem to be inade-quate technical equipment at Portela which, they say, en-dangers aircraft operations.

Strike stops most flights from Lisbon

isbon, Dec 28

increases, which ground staff do not consider adequate in comparison with recent pay awards for other categories of

accident occurring as a result of this unspeakable aggression against the sacred right to life Among those affected by today's strike was Dr Francisco Sa Carneiro, leader of the Democratic Alliance, which won the recent parliamentary elec-tions. He was due to return

From Our Correspondent

largely paralysed today by a 24-hour strike by ground staff of the national airline TAP. Only Scandinavian Air Services, Trans World Airlines and Canadian Pacific Airlines were able to operate, since they have their own ground staff at Portela.
The strike concerns salary

The Sacred Congregation for the Ductrine of the Faith ruled

Popular Alliance, have recently proposed home rule for Gibralatarians within the Government. His flight has

ban with German bishops

Rome, Dec 28.—The Pope to-Oskar Saier, also took part, a day discussed with five West spokesman said. German bishops the controversy over the Vatican's suspension of Professor Hans Kung as a
Roman Catholic theologian.
No details were available
about the meeting, held at the Pope's invitation in his residence in Castelgandolfo outside Rome. But the Archbishop of

that Professor Küng, director of the Ecumenical Research Institute at Tübingen University, could no longer be con-sidered a Catholic theologian It cited his well-publicized Munich, Cardinal Ratzinger, said before it started that he did not expect the ban to be

Conference, and the Archishop of Mainz, Cardinal Volk.

Professor Küng's superior, the Küng's right to teach as a Bishop of Rottenburg-Stuttgart, Catholic theologian. The Ger-Mgr Georg Moser, and the man bishops supported the Archbishop of Freiburg, Mgr move.—Reuter.

doubts about the infallibility of the Church and the Pope and Two other Cardinals present his ideas about the divinity of were the Archbishop of Col. ogne, Cardinal Höffner, chairman of the German Bishop's ins. his ideas about the divinity of ing.
The Pope endorsed the ban,

Head of Swedish | Lorry men 'entertained' in EEC butter fraud

The Hugue, Dec 28.—Dutch a point of informing customs customs officials are investigating a massive FEC butter fraud been loaded in his absence. which allegedly involved entertaining Dutch lorry drivers in Romania with wine, women and expensive meals.
The Finance Ministry has

confirmed that it is investigat-ing the racket whereby forries left the Netherlands for East Europe loaded with several tons of butter qualifying for an EEC export subsidy of about 32p a

According to De Telegraaf
the fraud was revealed by a
Dutch lorry driver returning
through West Germany from
Romania ostensibly with a load
of frozen strawberries. He made

The officials removed the strawberries to find butter which had been exported from the Netherlands a few days before and was being secretly re-imported for a company in Munich, where it could command the higher EEC price. De Telegraaj quoted drivers interviewed subsequently as saying their forries were always loaded in their absence,

From Our Correspondent Berlin, Dec 28

The exact number of drug

addicts, Stricter official measures

ia fears immigration rules will affect rites them and any other relatives not always be expected to know to Britain that could disturb who would be admissible as dependents of the parents, and adequate accommodation for afterwards.

zirs Correspondent on of elderly Indian om their families in om their families in adequate accommonance rough the proposed gration rules would to of the most sacred to burial rites of the lian religions, the vernment has stated to me that a son lights 's funeral pyre has mecamorphosis in their own country.

This provision should not be extended to people below 65 to extended to people 65 to ext he burial rites of the lian religions, the vernment has stated om that a son lights 's funeral pyre has mecamorphosis in crematorium. There is son in-law if there was the band of the light of the ligh have been explained lliam Whitelaw, the retary, by Dr 1. P. idia's acting High ner. In the eyes of ners the departing d be deprived of f the son or son-inish Government has the governments of gladesh and Pakistan

crematorium. There r son-in-law if there issue, purs his hand by on the coffin lisappears from view. Nications of changes have here avalained. and notes that the rules to hot specify the degree or precise nature of relationship to "relatives" to whom such dependents can "turn" in India. Nor do they take into account the willingness of such relatives to

proposed changes.

Seed new rules say Indian Government, elderly admitted for settle parents wish to spend the lest

admitted for settle-parents wish to spend the last common of check lives in their own wholly or mainly decountry.

Sons working here in steady money bome to been stated over the years, has been some from the rules and as has been some or ight of the misuse of the rules and as has been some or ight of the rules and as has been stated over the years, has been stated over the years, has been stated over the years, has been some or ight of the rules and as has been some or ight of the rules

afterwards. Not only is it harder for

Not only is it harder for poorer families to travel but the money they send home to the elderly could also penalize them under the rules.

Although the Indian Government ment recognizes the right of the British Government to set its own controls on immigration, it is concerned about their effect on racial harmony. The Indian community sees the new proposals as tougher measures directed against elderly parents than the institution of arranged

marriages.
Indians argue that because indians argue that because poorer people have not the money to travel and their daughters are less likely to have adopted British customs, the restrictions would affect their marriage arrangements more than those of the better the arranged marriage. willingness of the respond.

The rules are also sitent about their marriage arrangements their criteria for determining whether the standard of living off. The arranged marriage, in traditional Indian eyes, is an alliance between families as Generally, according to the Courtship before marriage has not been common.

common The Indian Government ac-

tries. But according to the Indian Government genuine arranged marriages a canot be equated with marriages of convenience". The Indian High Commission

dress was not disclosed, ap-peared before magistrates in

Hull yesterday charged under the Criminal Damage Act with

breaking windows in Selby Street on Christmas Eve. They were remanded on ball until

also receives many complaints about refusal of leave to visitors about refusal of leave to visitors to enter the United Kingdom on grounds that appear to them to be vague or based on far-fetched suspicions. Appropriately precise guidelines and tight supervision, Indians say, could domuch to ensure judicious and much to ensure judicious and humane exercise of the wide powers and discretion granted to immigration officials. Mr Tumothy Raison, Minister of State at the Home Office, has written to the Confederation of Indian Organizations (United Vinedom) densing that you

Kingdom) denying that pro-posals to change immigration rules are an attack on the arranged marriage or the culgroups.
"It is no part of our function

as a government to interfere with people's marriage customs,

and of course we respect the right of the Asian community here to adhere to their tradi-

monal practices and customs",

police site

Lost hikers found

Ramundberget, Sweden, Dec 28.—Three young hikers miss-ing overnight in freezing temperatures and a blizzard in a remote mountain area near the Norwegian border have been found alive and well only 500 yards from a shelter.

Peace in Nice for quiet president From Our Own Correspondent Italy. True, when on duty at the Quirinale Palace, he is sur-President Giscard d'Estaing's

President Giscard d'Estaing's rounded by the splendour and the simil attempts a few years ago to introduce a more homespun style into the staid nineteenth century protocol of the Presidency—like walking up the Chemps Elysées on July 14, emertaining dustmen to breakfast at the Elysée, and shaking hands with the immates of Lyons prison—have been dismal failures.

That is why M Giscard d'Estaing has shed the homespun iashion for a more regal one, which, the French being what they are, both pleases and irritates them.

rounded by the splendour and pomp of the former temporal

Those who do, marvel at his simplicity. They call him the "anti-waste" president, sau - waste" president, because he travelled from Rome with his wife in a car driven by a friend.

a distance, in order not to dishe comes to seek in Nice. "For 1980 I wish my country

peace and stability, and the same for France, for which I have deep affection", he says. "Nice is a magnificent town to which I like to return to see

agement is given to ing the aerodynamics of the in the Civil Service bicycle, says a person on a mileage allowance who use their bicycles mover known in the solar ial business. The rate system. a mile is replaced by "Weight for weight, the ince of £3.03 a month cyclist uses less energy to cover yele is used for more a given distance than even the latter, there was no reason to suppose the mileage covered since of £3.03 a month cycle is used for more miles a month likely that many pripanies so encourage shoves to use bicycles. and Imperial Chemical have no bicycle ate and the suggestion sted with gales of the first Parrolloum. was underestimated.

Dr Ronald Williams, a general practitioner in London, discuss-

is another matter, but whatever other qualities these interesting Rail's ban on com-ycles is being fought ondon Cycling Cam-order qualities these interesting objects may have, self-steering is certainly not one of them."

clists to fight British Rail ban weaknesses in the Department of Transport's statistics on the accident rate for cyclists compared with motorists. In 1977 the death rate for cyclists per 100 million kilometres covered was 6.8, compared with 0.7 for

> fifty written complaints about the ban so far and about-twenty-Dr Williams points out that the figures for cyclists include five telephone calls. They say the ban is necessary because bicycles obstruct passengers on children, whereas those for motorists necessarily refer only to adults. Consequently the acciplatforms and can delay trains because of the time needed to dent rate for adult cyclists may

> be far better. He claims that the number of miles covered by cyclists is probably underestimated by the expounding the advantages of the bicycle for the cylist's health, convenience and speed. department because it chiefly monitors main roads, whereas cyclists tend to use minor roads. That would reduce the

month, said yesterday they had received a brief telephone call from a man saying: "I am-sorry about Selby Street, about the burning." The brothers, Charles Hastle, actual accident rate. An official at the department said that although its statistics aged 15, Paul, aged 12, and Peter, aged eight, died from burns after paraffin was poured through the letter-box of their home in Selby Street, Hull, and cycles as for cars because they were geared mainly to the

The popularity of cycling is inkely to rise yet further in London this year because of a film about cycling, entitled Breaking Away, which opened on Boxing Day. It has already grossed more than \$13m in the United States and is still filling

cinemas there.

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Male nurses in Forces may get equal opportunity

By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent Sex discrimination against a number of men in the Armed Forces is likely to end next year after a study of a curious, long-standing form of in-

equality.

The servicemen concerned are male state registered nurses (SRNs), who can be commissioned only after working their way up through the ranks. By contrast, female SRNs can win direct commissions and enter, say, the Queen Alexandra's

direct commissions
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Royal Army Nursing Corps as
junior subalterns.

No decision has yet been
made, but it is understood that
the system will probably be
extended to include men, first
in the Royal Navy and the RAF
and later for the Army.

The change will also mean The change will also mean that for the first time the Royal Navy and the RAF will have integrated, male and female,

andra's Royal Army Nursing Corps or continue in the Royal Army Medical Corps, which

seems more likely.

There are also difficulties over the career structures of all three Services, and the Ministry of Defence points out that even female SRNs are not granted commissions automatic lly. They need to show that they have qualities that would enable them to take command,

in hospital or in the field.

The Armed Forces are exempt from the provisions of the Sex Discrimination Act, 1975, because of the special nature of the jobs done. On the other hand, they by to work within the spirit of the Act. The sexes, for instance, get the same basic pay, although women receive an additional "X" factor of only 5 per cent, against 10 per cent for men,

should enter the Queen Alex-

s now decided not to integrated, male and female, because their non-combative in the Harwell test, d to carry out only vestigation of the soil. The Army still has to decide turbulence in their domestic lives.

punctuated by a 30-second automatically In Spain Christmas gifts are Mr Sagar added: "I am satisfied that the killer is Mr Hallgrimsson | The Pope discusses Küng depressed and overcome by the horror of his actions and no asked to form doubt now has a desperate need to talk to someone." He said there was no way of knowing if it was the same man who had telephoned to the father of the boys last weekend and in a sobbing voice.

Iceland coalition Reykjavik, Dec 28.—President Kristian Eldjarn of Iceland has asked Mr Geir Hallgrimsson, leader of the conservative Inhad said: "I am sorry for what I have done; I killed your dependent party to form a coalition government, after Mr Steingrimur Another senior officer said leader of the Progressive Party, there were no plans to have the failed to form a government.

recorded message played on local radio stations to try to identify the caller. He said the remaining family of the dead boys, mother, father, another The Independents emerged as the largest single party in Iceland after the recent general elections with 60 seats in the Althing. son, aged nine, and three daughters had been moved to Observers here say Mr Hall-grimsson will have difficulty forming a government mainly because the conservative views

an undisclosed address The caller had tried to obtain the telephone number at their new address from the of his party make a coalition with leftists difficult, and he is operator, but it was not given to him. How he had obtained expected to attempt an alliance with either the Social Demoit from another source was still or the People's Alliance. Thomas and Edith Hastie, both aged 34, the parents of the dead children, whose ad-

euthanasia group sent to jail

Srockholm, Dec 28.—Mrs Berit Hedeby, head of the Swedish Association for the Legal Right to Die, must go to jail for a year for helping an incurably sick man to kill himself, the Supreme Court confirmed here today.

The judges upheld the verdict of a lower court, which found that in June, 1977, Mrs Hedeby. a journalist, actively hastened the death of Sven Erik Hand-berg, who had more than once pleaded to be put out of his pain. After obtaining poison for him, she finally administered a lethal dose of insulin, the jury

Bombs damage

Bergamo, Italy, Dec 28.— Terrorists set off about 10 bombs last night at the con-struction site of a carabinaeri station near here, causing serious damage, the police said today.

There were no imsclaims of responsibility

Not so-President Pertini of very democratic cloth cap and a few real friends."

an avuncular air, who wears a

Two Italian bodyguards keep a discreet watch over him from

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Soviet troops patrol Kabul as shooting continues after coup

of Afghanistan, yesterday and Mig jets were flying overhead after a Soviet-backed coup in-stalled Afghanistan's third

Government in 18 months, diplomatic sources reported. The Russian troops took part in the fighting that accompanied the coup in which President Hafizullah Amin was dent Hafizullah Amin was toppled and quickly executed,

Russians are reported to have manned tanks and amoured personnel carriers during three hours of tank and artillery fire that ended at mid-might on Thursday. Last night Kabul radio

Last night Kabul radio reported that Amin's younger brother and a nephew were executed yesterday along with the former President.

All three were reported to ave been found guilty of rimes against the Afghan people by a revolutionary court comprising "revolutionary religious and working class leaders" leaders. The radio named Amin's

military commander of the Northern Sector, and the nephew as Assadullah Amin, head of the secret police and Deputy Foreign Minister. Kabul radio said earlier that Amin had been eliminated and

Anim had been eliminated and announced that a new Revolutionary Council headed by Mr Babrak Karmal, a former Vice-President, had taken power.

The radio said President Amin headed a despotic, tyrannical regime that had been responsible for the deaths of a great number of innocent number of innocent

people.
Sources in Delhi reported that some fighting continued in Kabul yesterday. The city was reported to be filled with armoured vehicles, particularly near Kabul radio station.

Mr Karmal's Democratic People's Party yesterday pro-mised that elections would be held in the country soon, the Press Trust of India news agency reported, quoting Kabul

The report said that all progressive parties, except that supporting Amin, would be allowed freedom of political activity. No election date was

Mr Karmal himself pledged that he would seek a political solution to the Muslem rebellion that threatened his predecessors and led Moscow to increase its military involvement.

Earlier this year, the Soviet Union through its embassy in Kabul, urged the Government to seek a political solution to end the insurgency in which guerrillas have taken control of the countryside and pushed government forces back to the There were indications yester-

lay that at least some of the insurgents regard Mr Karmal as Soviet puppet and will con-A spokesman for the Hizb-i-

'slami group said the coup had India was "still assessing for brought no change to the Govitself" the Soviet claim that it crument in Kabul and said the had sent a contingent of troops would continue the

Soviet troops were patrolling Pakistan were studying the new the streets of Kabul, the capital Government before commenting, Government before commenting

> Authornanve Government believed the coup might lead to a political solu-tion. An estimated 400,000 Afghan refugees have fled to Palcistan to escape the fighting, and Islamabad is deeply interested in a solution that would permit their return.

But an Afghan exile move ment based in Iran said yest-erday it would fight on against the Kabul Government.

The Islamic Movement of Afghanistan said: "The over-throw of the treacherous Hafipower of the mercenary Bab-rak Karmal, lackey of the Soviet Union . . makes the decisiveness of the militant Muslems of Afghanistan in taking back independence and national sovereignty more ser-

Mr Karmal named a 14-man Cabinet that included mainly members of the Parcham (flag) Party that was purged by Amin during his three-month presi-

The new Government includes Lieutenant Colonel Muhammad Aslam Watanjar, a hero of the revolution of April, 1978, who was later purged by Amin. Indian response: In spite of western indications of direct Soviet involvement in Afghanistan, the Indian Government yesterday refused to take a stand condemning the influx of Soviet troops and the replacement by Mr Babrak Karmal of the Amin regime as interference in the internal affairs of a friendly neighbouring country (Richard Wigg writes from Delhi).

emergency credit of up to £1,000m (£460m) from Saudi Arabia, arguing that without the money the Turkish Government will fall. Mr Yuri Yorontsov, the Soviet Ambassador, called on Mr R. D. Sathe, the senior official in India's External Me Ismat Siazkin, Turkish Minister of Finance, is here to persuade the Government to make the loan, which Ankara wishes to have no strings attached. It would be allocated mainly to payments for oil imports Affairs Ministry, at midnight on Thursday to give Moscow's version of a request by the Afghan leadership "for mili-tary aid against what was claimed to be an external Mr Siazkin is elso asking for a guaranteed supply of Saudi crude of six million tonnes a year, with the first deliveries immediately, to be sold at a concessionary price of \$15 or less a barrel [Saudi Arabia raised its price from \$18 to \$24 a barrel two weeks ago] threat.

The Indian Cabinet has not met to consider the serious situation for the region that many Indian observers feared been developing for

With the election now less than a week away ministers did He met Shaikh Muhammad Aba al-Khail, the Saudi Arabian Minister of Finance and National Economy, on Wednesday and the second meeting is to be held tomorrow. It is untitled for the such meetings not interrupt the last day of campaigning. Mr S. N. Mishra, the External Affairs Minister, is not in Delhi but in his Bihar

India has a treaty of friend-ship with the Soviet Union signed by Mrs Gandhi and officially enjoys very good relations with Moscow, as was carefully emphasized here yesterday. Any forthright stand on Moscow's actions in Kabul by the care-taker Government with only days to live might immediately

An External Affairs Ministry spokesman said as a result that India was "still assessing for itself" the Soviet claim that it under the treaty of friendship Kabul last December.

Military leader's death vas murder, politician says

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alisbury, now with 16 seats.
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midlands 12 and Victoria 11.
Tonight the Commonwealth
forces monitoring the ceaseffire
were due to be in position at
midnight at 23 rendezvous and
midnight at 23 rendezvous and 16 assembly points round the country, Lord Soames appealed this evening to the Patriotic Front forces to stick to the

arrangements agreed at Lancas-ter House and emphasized that they would not be surrendering. Earlier today the Governor made a secret visit to one of the most dangerous war areas. He drove to Marandellas, 45 miles east of Salisbury where he received a police briefing on

he received a police briefing on security in the area.

Afterwards, he drove to Rusape, 100 miles east of Salisbury, for another briefing before flying across tribal trust lands in the south.

A mine exploded today under a Phodesian relice wahirle.

a mine exploded today under a Rhodesian police vehicle escorting British troops to a remote bush camp to be used as a gathering point for the guerillas forces. Later the con-voy continued on its way. Suspicions about the death of Mr Josiah Tongogara, the Zanla commander, were raised in Salisbury roday by Mr David Mukome, the retiring Foreign

ted with the settlement and ceasefire arrangements.

Mr Mukome said the Chimoio area where Mr Tongogara was reported to have been killed in the crash did not have a road as such, only a winding track. He claimed that Mr Tongogara's body was already in the mortuary in Mapuro when the Patrioric Front commanders flew in the chartered aircraft to Salisbury late on Wednesday. Mr Tongogara's death was not announced then because the whole business had not yet been stage-managed to look like an accident, he said. Mr Mukome added that Mr Tongogara's death was yet another blow to the Victoria province of Rhodesia which already had most of its prominent politicians locked up in Mozambique; Mr Tongogara had unsuccessfully pressed Mr Robert Mugabe, the Zanu leader, for their release. Tonight Mr Michael Mayema's National Front of Zimbabwe Party also claimed sports. It is a joint venture that Mr Tongogara had been with the Chinese tourist author-

Mr Karmal, fourth Afghan President in 20 months, is more pro-Soviet than predecessor, but more moderate

Kabul's soft-spoken new leader

spoken Marxist who has re-pleced Hafizullah Amin as President of Afghanistan, is more pro-Soviet than Amin but more moderate on the issues that have antagonized Afghanistan's traditionalist

Mr Karmal aged 50, the son of a provincial governor, was educated at a German-language school and graduated in law from Kabul University.

Nothing in his official biography suggests the assessment by Washington intelligence offi-cials: "An explosive character, as close as you could ever get to the classic Moscow-line The intelligence sources say that in the 1950s Mr Karmal

served a five-year prison term for political activities. Later, as an outspoken member of Afghanistan's shortlived Parliament, known as the Wolesi Jirga, he made no secret of his left-wing views and in 1966 was involved in a fight in the legislature that landed him in hospital.

His Parcham (flag) Parry His Parcham (flag) Party

Turkey asks

huge loan in

usual for two such meetings to be held with a minister on an

official visit. He will meet King

No details beyond official platitudes have been released.

but it is understood that Mr Siazkin is telling the Saudis

that Turkey's financial position is so perilous that without emergency aid to meet the con-ditions attached to its \$300m

facility, the new Demirel Government will be replaced by an extremist group, possibly by

He is also saying that the

He is also saying that the Turkish Army is a valuable constraint on the Iraxian revolution, the only factor which prevented civil war over the recent Azerbaijan uprising.

No information is available on how well he is being received, but there will certainly

be sympathy for his case, parti-cularly after events in Afghani-

stan.
Saudi Arabia is not thought

to have given any direct bud-getary assistance to Ankara, but

in April the Saudi Fund for Development made its largest

single loan—its first to Turkey
—of \$250m for existing projects hampered by shortages of
foreign exchange.

In the summer, the Jiddahbased Islamic Development
Bank, to which Saudi Arabia is
a big contributor allowed credit

a big contributor, allowed credit

of \$30m to finance imports.

A royal decree has been

issued allowing a government

to-government agreement on an oil entitlement for Turkey; but no agreement has yet been

Firm to develop

Hongkong, Dec 28. - A company here has won a contract worth about SHK30m (£2.7m) to develop a resort on China's south coast.

The development near Hong-

kong would include a 150-bed

hotel, a trutting track, tennis courts and facilities for water

China resort

Khaled tomorrow.

torce.

Saudis for

emergency From Our Correspondent Jiddah, Dec 28



was the only Afghan Marxist group to support the over-throw of King Zahir Shah in 1973 by Muhammad Daoud But when Daoud banned political parties in 1977 Mr Karmal joined forces with the Khalq (People's) Parry of Nur Muhammad Taraki.

Democratic Khalq Party. As military leader of the party Hafizullah Amin successfully recruited important elemen of the armed forces.

These officers led the coup of April, 1978, that overthrew Daoud after be ordered the arrest of Mr Karmal, Taraki and Amin who had protested over the killing of a party

After the coup, Tareki, assumed the position of President sumer the prishon of Freshelm and Prime Minister, and Mr Karmal acted as his deputy. However, after a dispute, Mr Karmal was purged and sent to Pregue as Ambassador to Czechoslovakia.

Although ordered to return to Alghanistan by Amia an September, 1978, Mr. Katmal refused and went underground, possibly in the Sowiet Union. Taraki was everthrown and killed in a coun led by Amin, who had risen to Prime Minister, in September. He survived Taraki by just 15 weeks.

Congressman studies Shah's alleged crimes

mission to help the American ostages, said here today he was collecting endence for a con-gressional hearing on the alleged crimes of the former

Mr Hansen, an Idaho Republicar, told a press conference he was certain Congress would investigate American links with Iran over the past 30 years and the deposed Shah's financial-ties with the United States. He added that he wanted to see evidence of alleged torture. prison conditions and repres-sion. "It is important to be on the scene and get the other side. I think we should get the evidence on the table", he said. Referring to possible release of the hostages, he said he thought Iran would "sertle for

less that the actual physical re-turn of the Shah Mr Vladimir Vinogradov, the Russian Ambassador, today met Ayatollah Khomeini, the Iranian eader, against a background of Soviet involvement in neigh-bouring Afghanistan and Ameri-

Tehran, Dec 28.—Representa Sadeq Qorbzadeh, the Foreign tive George Hansen, who is Minister, was also present but visiting Iran on a self-appointed no details were available. The ambessador's visit co-incided with American moves to win approval by the United Nations Security-Council for an international -economic block-

ade against Iran
Clergymen return: Three
American clergymen who
visited their embassy in Tehran
for Christmas returned here
last night, insisting they had
met only 43 Americans. They
appealed to the State Department and the Iranian Embassy
in Washington to compare
mames and formally end the
controversy over the number ade against Iran

The State Department says that 50 people are being held hostage. Tehran newspapers hostage. Televan newspapers give the number as 49.

No hostages moved ': One of the Iranian militants: holding the Americans hostage in Tehran said in a televised inter-view shown in the United States today that no captives had been moved from the em-

bassy. Iranian who bouring Afghanistan and American attempts to blockade Iran.

Informed sources said the hostages would not be moved meeting took place in the holy city of Qom. They said Mr to be tried.— Renter.

California clash not eased by court ruling

The complexities of governing the most populous state in the union grew a little more tortuous this week with Thursday's ruling from the Coli-forma Supreme Court declar-ing that while the Democratic Governor, Mr Jerry Brown is away from the state his deputy. Mr Mike Curb, who happens to be a Republican, can make appintments in his absence. The court, however, also ruled that when Mr Briwn returns to Sacramento he can.

Curb's appointments. Curb's appointments.

Observers consider the ruling as something of a standoff, guaranteed to keep both sides happy in a long-running dispute that erupted shortly after Mr Brown was re-elected governor. and Mr Curb, a former Holly wood record company execu-It was the first time this

century that candidates from two different parties were elected to those key offices. The politically charged constitutional power struggle came to a head last March when Mr Curb apointed Judge Armand Arabian, as presiding justice of the state court of appeal in Los Appeales.

On his return from Washington Mr Brown rescinded the appointment in favour of Ap-pellate Justice Bernard Jefferson. Yesterday the Supreme Court upheld the Jefferson appointment.

But following the court de-tision handed down in San Francisco, both sides claim the

victory.
Mr. Brown's office said they Mr Brown's office sam inc., preferred to read the justices decision completely. Mr Curb issued a statement noting that he was a extremely graphied that the court was upheld over that the court was upheld over 180 years of practice in Califor-nia history that the Lieutenant Governor has all the powers of the Governor and is acting Governor for all practical purposes when the Governor is physically

absent from the state."
In arguments to the Supreme Court, Mr Anthony Kine, legal affairs secretary, to Mr Brown, contended that because of today's modern communications systems a Governor is able to run his state even while he is

run his state even winte ne is away.

In the last year Mr Brown has been our of California 24 times for a good of 81 days, most of that period spent campaigning for the Presidency. In 1980 he is expected to be absent from the state for even longer periods as the campaign tempo increases.

Earlier his year police reported 2 Keystone Cop" type of scene in which Mr Curb, driving at speeds of 100 miles an hour, raced to the state capital to sign a bill after learn-ing that his boss would shortly be flying back to California to

The court's decision also said clearly that while the Governor is away "the Lieutenant Governor is free to act on whatever tradition he determines need attention during the Governor's absence". Damascus, Dec 28.—The It added that Mr Shoufi had Syrian Government, surprised misused his official position by the resignation of Mr Hamman in the service of the Camp moud el-Shoufi, its representative at the United Nations, Mr Shoufi's resignation

fit take is not only the authority to make appointments but to suprove new Bills, issue executive orders, grant pardons and preside over a \$22,900m [E16,000m] state budget. 'One pundit, a veteran observer of the; configurations, between the two pullicians has described it as simply a battle for carrol of the California playpen."

At least 120 people were reported to have died over the past six months in violence chiefly aimed at members of the minority Muslim Alawite sect to which President Assadbelows. African church group looks for new leader

The Government has blemed the Muslim Brotherhood for the violence. The state-run press has accused Saudi Arabia and Jordan of training Brotherhood activists.

Western diplomats thought it likely that Mr Shouli would join exiled opposition politicians such as Mr Issam al-Artar, the head of the Muslim Brotherhood and Mr Salah Binar, the former Prime Minister. former Prime Minister.

Mr Bitar, who lives in Paris, has recently begun publishing a magazine critical of conditions in Syria. Mr Anar has issued periodic calls for the overshrow of the Syrian Government from exile in West

Six found dead in Himalayan flight wreckage Katmandu, Dec 28. — Five

Mr Shoufi's resignation coincided with a congress of the Syrian Baath Party, which opened last Saturday against a background of sectation violence and widespread economic discontage.

belongs.

Hongkong, Dec 28.—Mr. Richard Hughes, a correspondent here of The Times, was tied up and robbed early today of cash, valuables and travellers cheques. West German tourists and the Indian pilot were found dead today in the weekage of a helicopter that vanished yester-Mr Hughes, aged 74, said three burglars, armed with sticks and a cleaver, forced their way into his flat through: day on a sight-seeing tour in the Nepalese Himalayas. The crash was spotted from a helicopter at about 8,500ft a service entrance, bound and in a deep forested gorge of gagged him and his wife and the Trisuli River north of Karransacked the flat.—Reuter. manda h

From Our Correspondent
Nairotic Dec 28
The All Africa Conference
of Churches, which has its
headquarters here, amounted today that the post of general secretary is now warant, and member churches are being in-vited to submit nominations for the post. Canon Burgess Carr, a Litierian Anglican, has been its

general secretary until now. He left Kenya two years ago after clashing with Kenyan leaders who objected to statements comparing the Kenyan political system to that of pre-revolu-tion Ethiopia, and has not since returned to resume his post.
Yesterday, Mr Kodwo
Ankrah, the acting general
secretary, said the conference
was facing a financial crisis because overseas donors, who contribute most of its funds, have withheld their donations until the leadership problem is solved.

Banker becomes monk Bangkok, Dec 28.—Dr Snoh Unakul, aged 48, who resigned as governor of the Bank of Thulland two months ago, was ordained as a Buddhist monk

'Cover-up' of Turkey's violence

From Sinan Fisek Ankara, Dec 28

Ankara, Dec 28
Liberal circles in Turkey are criticizing what they believe is censorship by Ankara's martial law authority of radio and television coverage of the political violence that has claimed more than 2500 kings in Turkey in than 2,500 lives in Turkey in

the past two years.

A letter sent recently to the TRT, the state broadcasting organization, requested that marrial law officials be consulted before news and commentary deal-

iven minimal coverage to there. These include the sachers union rally against fascism and anti-democratic tws." Last Monday on the miversary of the Kahraman-maras massacre that led to the proclamation of martial law in 19 of Turkey's 67 provinces.

arrested and at least three killed in political violence on the day of the rally, and viewers in Ankara, where the violence was most visible were surprised by the minimal coverage.

A number of political killings have been ignored in news bul-

rins. Right wingers seem to be the main victims of recent violence.
The extreme right-wing Nationalist Action Party said 29 party
members had been killed in two

Critics claim that since then
TRT bulletins have ignored
come important events and
liven minimal coverage.

Weeks.

In Istanbul, police arrested
Transport of the right-wing
Idealist Youth Association. A
number of weapons and number of weapons and ammu-nation were found at the organization's headquarters, as well as a list of liberal and leftist figures marked for assas-

Among them were Professor Haluk Alp; Rector of Istanbul University, Professor Tarik Zafer Tunaya, Dean of the

School of Political Sciences, Mr Aziz Nesin, president of the Writers' Union of Turkey, and Mr Orhan Apaydin, president of the Istanbul Bar Association. Police also found blank mem-

democratic Republican People's Party of Mr Bulent Ecevit, the former Prime Minister. They speculated that these were to be used to infiltrate party func-One of the men arrested is said to have confessed that members of the association had planned the escape earlier this year of 13 right-wing terrorists

fom an Istanbul prison.

The violence has increased sharply since Mr Suleyman Demirel's conservative minority Government came to power just over a month ago. He has now pushed through Parliament a new agenda that will give prior ity to Bills dealing with political violence and law-and-order

Dr Sakharov misled by incorrect report Moscow, Dec 28.-Dr Andrei

Sakharov, the Soviet dissident leader, said today that a report distributed by him last Wednesday of a human rights activist who had tried to commit suicide in his cell had proved to be

porters by telephone: "I was misled. This report must be acknowledged to be incorrect," He had said that Mr Oleksa Tikhy, a member of a Soviet Ukranian human rights group, had tried to kill himself by setting himself on fire. Mr Tikhy, aged 52, a former teacher, is serving a 10-year

Japanese urged to work less and rest more From Peter Hazelburst

Three die as El Salvador

San Salvador, Dec 28.—Three for the life of Mr Archibald people were killed in a bombing anack during the night at the United States First Mational City Bank here. for the life of Mr Archibald Dunn, the South African Ambassador who was kidnapped a month ago by the Marxist guerrilla group.

guerrilla group.

leftists bomb US firms

But the report goes on to _Dr Sakharov told Western rereveal that most wage earners in Japan are prepared to work cent of their annual holiday in the interests of their company, and seldom resort to destructive Other statistics indicate that in terms of working days lost the incidence of industrial un-rest in Britain was 25 times

Nursing-home patients in Kansas City being wheeled to safety yesterday when buildings under

Syria's defecting envoy-

accused of Cairo links

accused him today of collaborating with Rgyptian intelli-gence and misusing his official

Mr el-Shouli announced his

resignation last night at a New

York press conference at which

he accused President Assad's

Government of corruption, re-pression and opportunism. He said he would join efforts to

forge an opposition front abroad.

Mr Shoufi, who is 52, was the

most senior official to defect

most senior official to defect since Mr Assad seized power nine years ago. He has been ambassador in Buenos Aires. Rome and Moscow, and chief of the United States section at the Foreign Ministry.

The ministry said that Mr Shoufi was ordered home on Detember 7 after presenting views at the United Nations contract to Serian policy. He

contrary to Syrian policy. He refused to heed the order.

"The Ministry of Foreign Affairs advised Shoufi of its

decision to transfer him to Damascus (and) punish him for

banascus (and) punish min tor-his involvement and collabora-tion with the intelligence ser-vice of the Egyptian regime.", a statement said.

Burglars rob

correspondent

Times'

position.

construction near by caught fire. The city's firemen are on a go-slow.

constitution providing for an elected council of representa-

The party will recommend the sole candidate for chair-

man of the island's ruling Revo-

lutionary Council (at present Mr Jumbe) who will then have

to receive 50 per cent of the

The chairman will then nomi-

nate Revolutionary Council members from the Council of

Representatives, elected by popular vote every five years.

Diplomatic sources on Zanzi-

bar said the new constitution has met with vociferous oppo-sition from Mr Jumbe's politi-

cal opponents. These are thought to centre around old

The kidnappers have said that failure to comply fully with their demands that their com-

muniques be published here on Wednesday and Thursday of this week and in 103 other coun-

tries by January 15 could be grounds for "executing" Mr Dunn.

The deadline passed in El

Salvador without the communi-ques being published.

After Mr Dunn was kidnapped, El Salvador passed a
law that forbids publication of
such communiques unless they
are signed by at least five
people whose identities are
known.—Agence France-Presse,
AP and UPI.

popular vote to be elected.

Separate constitution for

Dar es Salaam, Dec 28.—An which Mr Aboud Jumbe, the extraordinary national conference of Tanzania's ruling revolutionary party. Chama cha cracy, the island has a separate

Zanzibar is approved

Mapinduzi, today approved a separate constitution for Zanzi

bar, Tanzania radio reported. It said the move, aimed at streamlining the island's admini-

stration and strengthening democracy there, was passed

The conference of some 1,700

delegates from every region is the only body empowered to

amend the constitution and normally convenes once every

Zanzibar joined the Tangan-yika mainland in 1964 to form the United Republic of Tan-zania. Although it came under

the same constitution it kept its own largely autonomous govern-

ment and in practice has been ruled by decree since the 1964

Earlier, a Marxist organization, the Popular Liberation
Front, claimed responsibility
for explosions which damaged
two American company buildings, the bank and the ITT
telecommunications building.
The victims at the bank ware

The victims at the bank were a night watchman, one of the attackers and a passerby.

About 18 Liberal Front mem

bers, some on foot and others in two vehicles, converged on the bank office in San Selva-dor's commercial district shortly after unidnight and shot

dead the night watchman, a witness said.

Advertisements in both daily newspapers here today pleaded

five years.

Workers on Japan's highly efficient essembly lines now earn 35 per cent more than their counterparts in Britain, a survey by the Japanese Labour Ministry indicated to-

ing the first six months of the year.

Examining the structure of introduced in other industria. Seen of Japan last year the introduced in other industria. Seen of Japanese workers are about 30 per cent behind those in the United States and West Germany.

However the report goes on to concede that the purchasing kers take full advantage of power of the average Japanese take full advantage of still room for improvement their paid vacation. But in price of food, housing and con-paid wages to levels considerably are prepared to work longer.

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by 1985, the report concludes.

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Rhodesian and Khmer iblics; Ostpolitik; BBC o London; the New English

"This is not an inva-of Cambodia." Four students at Kent University, Chio, Pathé i, Iain Macleod, Salazar, r. de Gaulle, Barbirolli, Chird Programme.

Year of China dmits China; war between

and Pakistan; Vietcong Phnom Penh; Rolls-nationalized; Amin power in Uganda; pound Court; for first time since 1939; Bied: es Manson guilty of mur-Doc" 105 Soviet officials ex-Sketch, from Britain; 12,000 Jackson

peace; the first nude in The Times; Bangladesh, the Nat-Industrial Relations Court; Dutch elm disease Bied: Khrushchev, "Papa Doc" Duvalier, the Duly Sketch, the half-crown, George Jackson, Soledad brother, British Standard Time, the first

Born: the UCS work in; new

Year of Ulster

Embassy in Dublin tember.

Born: the United Reformed Church; the Angry Brigade; rule, Bloody Sunday, the limitation treaty; Black Sep-

Nixon visits Moscow and Munich; the Duke of Windsor, Maurice Chevalier; Sir Francis Chichester, the Brighton Belle, B52s make their 482 Army, police, reservists, and st raids on Vietnam; a civilians in Ulster.



: Energy Crisis

coupons and the pling of oil prices; conion between Mr Heath Died: Salvador Allende, Lyndon e miners; the October Johnson, Ben-Gurion, Picasso, Britain, Ireland and Denoin EEC; John Poulson Northern Ireland Assembly.

arrested; the last American troops leave Vietnam; Water-gate; £20m High Court award to thalidomide children; 238 injured by bombs at Scotland Yard and Old Bailey; Anne marries Mark.
Born: the Northern Ireland
Assembly; the three-day week; the oil weapon; the second cod

British soldier in Ulster. state of emergency over the miners' strike; Maudling re-signs over the Poulson con-

d, an IRA bomb at Alder. Died: 11 Israeli athletes at

The rebirth proved to be a already flying in 1970. The miscarriage, and in retrospect shift to service industries had a share in the control of the ignored the obvious fact that mational economy with government covered if not invented—nature might well have copied art—by might be creation of wealth, and might well have copied art—by might be creation of wealth, and strikes were diminishing what their immediate goal.

Time got it about half right. The old class system was crumbling, and Shavian middle class morality with it. The old earthiness of the English (I am not certain that this ever applied to the Scots and Welsh) reemerged, but the new group who were largely to dominate the politics of the seventies were not the cheerful, lusty Shakespearean characters the

magazine saw eolivening the streets of London. Instead, they declared a new kind of class war under the banners of equality and social justice. Burskellism and the old easy-going pragmatism gave way to an un-British ideological fervour, at least in Congress House and the national execu-tive committee of the Labour

Party. The inevitable Tory

Mr Paul Rose, the former Labour Member for Blackley, put it another way when he decided not to seek reelection in 1979. Parliament, he said, no longer reflected the variety and sophistication of modern

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Sixties and the Wilsonian promise of a national rebirth forged nearly packaged in decades, in the white heat of technology, and the danger signals were already flying in 1970. The miscarriage, and in retrospect shift to service industries had

tion was already under way before the dawn of the decade

Mr Edward Heath came to power determined to "roll back rents in return for a promise of inequalities in income and the frontiers of government" from the Trades Union Con-wealth, and a change in the baland set free his Selsdon Man. gress to restrain wage ance between privately and public the provided of the control He was no less determined to demands.

The unions were granted did not seem to understand that immunities which for most purticular the power of the poses placed them above the unions was changing.

A decisive shift in power position to deliver. Average of traditional industries, More

A decisive shift in power taking place as Mr Heath was about to discover. The trade unions were no longer the Solid South of the Labour Party, 30 per cent. The value of Some union leaders were beginning to look like rebellions tion rate and public sector barons. The Queen's writ no borrowing requirement threatlonger necessarily ran to their ened to get out of control.

and sophistication of modern society bur the ossification of institutions and attitudes responsible for Britain's decline.

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EEC or Comecon. Nevertheless, the direction of the country could and did swing content to us the only way to Industrial guerrilla warfare in the forces of law and order. Own shop stewards.

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tion imposed so outspoken about their poli- Even British membership of the governments rical ambitions, but by 1974 European Economic Community itain. their quest for power had been failed to meet the high hopes given a new dimension. After of those who expected a redemonstrating that they could generation of industry, but we bring down any government, all know that life was not that Labour or Tory, they demanded grim. The 1980 edition of grim. The 1980 equipment Social Trends, published by the Government Statistical Service. showed how living standards of ment and of industry with the majority actually rose as the nation's fortunes declined.

The new Labour Government Moving into the seventies was only too happy to oblige.

Time magazine, which declared that Britain was in the midst of a bloodless revolution. A new group of people were taking over from the old establishment and creating a new kind of tively high unemployment and a unique relationship between the national government and only one section of the com-choice in personal consumption only one section of the com-munity. Mr Wilson promised to repeal the Industrial Relations the growth of the leisure indus-try, increases in company perks, Act, subsidize food and freeze a modest decline in the extent

> position to deliver. Average earnings rose by 25 per cent in the first year, and in the next some wage settlements reached the use of a car. More than 30 per cent. The value of nine out of 10 had a relevision sterling dropped as the inflation rate and public sector phone. Two out of five spent their helicitudes and public sector phone than a sector phone their spent their sector phone.

About twelve million adults were members of trade unions longer necessarily ran to their headquarters keeps.

The 1972 Industrial Relations who rules Britain? The answer Act and the government's prices and incomes policy provoked instant counter-attacks. The dictated the government's strike of 1972 was more like guerrilla warfare than an industrial dispute.

Flying pickets proved to be statesmen because they were members of trade unions, and as long as they paid their dives and went on strike when dictated the government's their living standards. This industrial dispute.

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Shattered hopes 1 Inc.

of Camp David

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Boyer, 900 fanatics by cyanide Died: Earl Mountbarren, Mr.

Calendar compiled by Alan Hamilton sian Viscount, an unknown number in Kampuchea.

of the Ayatollah Thirty years of war between The fall of the Shah, and

American revolution in Nicaragua; North becomes first British woman Sea oil production passes 1m Prime Minister, with overall barrels a day; Shell and BP majority of 43; Rhodesian accused of breaking Rhodesia referendum favours black majority rule: a winter of discount of the content by long drivers and buys Chrysler Europe; Syrian public service workers; China peace-keeping forces enter invades Vietnam; Carter tours Lebanon; Ian Paisley preaches the Mid-East; Amin flees in Dublin; the Amoco Cadiz Uganda; Jeremy Thorpe acquirspills her cargo; Princess ted; the Pope visits Poland, Margaret divorced; inflation Ireland and United States; rate falls to 5.8 per cent. £4,000m public spending cuts; Born: Louise Brown, test-tube accident at Three Mile Island; baby, the Advanced Passenger Leyland to cut 25,000 jobs, Train, a salmon in the Thames. British Steel 52,000: the first nam-powered

poisoning in Guyana, 11 million

Bhutto, Airey Neave, Reveille.

57 Quangos, 257 in a DC10 in
Antarctica, 15 soldiers at Warrenpoint, devolution, 17 Fastnet yachtsmen, Blair Peach, 59 in a tanker explosion at Bantry Bay, 59 in a shot down Rhode-





The Year of Watergate The resignation of Nixon and replacement by Ford; bombs at the Boat Show and Madame Tussaud's; stalemate in the first general election, an overall Labour majority of three in the second; Scottish Nationalists hold balance of power; first Greek general election since 1967; essential food prices controlled; over food prices controlled; over two militon unemployed or on short-time in three-day week; Portuguese government over-thrown by Spinola; Turkey invades Cyprus; hospital workers refuse to service private patients; collapse of the Northern Ireland Executive. Born: County of Avon, a son to Ronald Biggs, Sir Walter Wal-ker's private army, republic of Mozambique, the Department of Energy, the social contract. Died: 29 at Fhixborough, 21 in pub bombs in Birmingham, 344 in a DC10 at Paris, County of



The Year

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House sieges; Mrs Thatcher elections; Red Rum wins Grand Died: Steve Biko, 1,200 guer-House sieges; Mrs Thatcher elections; Red Rum wins Grand Died: Steve Biko, 1,200 guertakes the Tory leadership; US National for third time; Ethical Rhodesian raids, the evacuates Cambodia; John Stonehouse arrested in Mel-Somalia; pickers fight police at Makarios, Elvis Presley, Anbourne; first North Sea oil Grunwick Laboratories; Molucthony Crosland, Maria Callas, arrives; 11 OPEC delegates captured by Palestinians in Vienna; train; Britain bans herring fishgers at Tenerife. Apollo links up with Soyuz; UK votes 67.2 per cent to stay in EEC; warrant issued for arrest of Lord Lucan; US unemployment reaches a 13-year peak of

7.1 per cent. Born: the Helsinki Agreement, The Year Ho Chi Minh City, the National of Jimmy Carter Enterprise Board, the Sex Dis-

of the Jubilee

Balcombe Street and Spaghetti Mrs Ghandhi ousted in Indian York, the Boat People.

Enterprise Board, the Sex Discrimination and Equal Pay Acts, the Scottish Daily News, the High Speed Train, republic of Angola.

Died: Chiang Kai-shek, General Franco, Eamon de Valera, Haile Selassie, the Channel Tunnel, Aristotle Onassis, P. G. Wodehouse, 43 Tube passengers at Moorgate.

Of Jimmy Carter

Peace Movement; democracy in Portugal, a unified Vietnam. a Britain suffers great drought; world population passes 4,000m; Thorpe Soweto, Mai Tso-tung, Chou Enterprise Board, the Sex Discrimination and Equal Pay Acts, the Channel Tunnel, hostages from Enterprise Board, the Sex Discrimination and Equal Pay Acts, the Channel Tunnel, hostages from Enterprise Board, the Sex Discrimination and Equal Pay Acts, the Channel Tunnel, hostages from Enterprise Board in Portugal, a unified Vietnam. a Britain postwar unemployment record of 1.5m.

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ing, and Soviet fishing vessels banned from the North Sea; mass killings reported in Ugan-da; Sadat visits Israel; violence on National Front marches; Mentmore House sold for £6.3m. Born: Packer cricket, British Shipbuilders, Skytrain, the Lib-Lab Pacr, Concorde to New

Solzhenitsyn predicts imminent fall of the West; Tate Gallery exhibits 120 bricks; 5 falls to

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Africa

Coups, wars and some hope

By Roy Lewis The collapse in 1974 of the Portuguese Empire, bastion of white-controlled southern white-controlled southern Africa, transformed prospects and accelerated continental-wide processes of change. When the seventies began the line of the Zembezi separating the black states from the white-ruled states, and the black states whose fortunes and fate was bound up with them, seemed likely to last for decades yet.

At the same time the black states seemed embroiled with their own internal problems of mibalism, secessionist movements, and political and economic stability. Their efforts to mic stability. Their efforts to operate regional groupings tended, like the periodic pour-parlers of the Organization of

African Unity, to be longer on words than action. The decade began with the ending of the Biairan secession from Nigeria, which presaged a Steady growth in the influence or the reunited country with its nationhood and selfconfidence reinferced. This development was propressively enhanced with sairing oil prices from 1973 answerds.

Nigeria suffered from minor rouns and from scandals. The dishending of the Army was prolonged and corruption proliferated, but by the end of the decade it was economically and in constation incostest-ably the African giant, and had effected its transition back to civilian rule under a constitution combining representative institutions with a toughly cuthoritarian executive.

It is too soon to say that the

Nigerian odyssey has set the tone for all black states. The ticrade was punctuated in aimost all of them by coups and failed coups and complots; at times it has seemed that the forure lay in a congeries of patty cassarisms with even one-party "constitutional" states in the minority. Amin, Macias and Emperor Bokassa seemed only the extreme examples of a type of corrupt military government by tunta challenged only by the discontents of the next genera-

Ghana's restored democracy led by the moderate Dr Busia was overthrown by a military junta soon to be more corrupt than the regime they supplanted -out by the end of the decade constitutionalism had been resumed. Kenya successfully

resumed. Kenya successfully survived the transition after Kenyatra's death without coups or bloodshed in 1978.

On the other hand, the tendencies in all African regimes to espouse socialism and to embrace anti-westernism notice-able in the early seventies have, for more than one reason, cul-minated in greatly increased Russian influence throughout the continent, in 1970 Congo-Erazzaville and Sekou Toure's Guinea professed to be full-blown marxist states; now Ethiopia Somalia Angola, Mozembique, Guinea Cape Verde and some minor entities

Russia has not only been the beneficiary of the Portuguese revolution: it has become dominant in the Horn, after the ceposition in Ethiopia of Haile Sclassic following the droughts, famines and gathering discontents of the early seventies. No less important, Russia has demonstrated its entraordinary expertise in putting down as ell as in engineering guerrilla unrisings.

it used the Cuban military Promies to defeat the two oppo-tion nationalist-tribalist armies en Angola when they nearly coached Luanda It enabled the Somalis to seize all south-eastern Ethiopia in 1976, and then helped the emergent African Stalin, Mengistu, to African Stain, alengisti, to throw them out again; and whim all Eritrea scemed due to fall to markist rebel forces, the Societ Union belied Mengistu to cruth these with a ruthless efficiency far beyond Haile Sciassick capacity.

At Haile Selassie's constitutogether content for the section discontent in Portugal. The guerral and the future finally sparked off the sections discontent in Portugal. The guerralias and he shoer attraction in the Far East rillus had, by sheer attrition, won an unexpected victory. Exely attempts to create

Dritish type commonwealth quickly gave way to negotia-lons which conferred independence on Mozambique, Guinea-Sissau, Cape Verde and Principe. The Portuguese withdrew from Angola as the MPLA, with Russian backing, fought off its rivals, quickly deserted by American and South African

Within a year South Africa had potentially nostile borders on all sides except Rhodesia, and the querrilla war by Swapo a vinst South-West Africa that the numelands plan was

Negotiations with the United Nations and Western mediators were haltingly restarted for an independent Namibia, South Africa only holding out for a mixed racial state in which white power should be powerful if not predominant.

Phodesia's prospects were immediately transformed. The early seventies caw Britain still pursuing a settlement. Lord Alpart prepared the ground for Sir Alec Douglas-Home's "last try", which evolved a constitu-tion under which the blacks might uchieve majority rule in 20 years agreed to by the Smith regime but rejected, in the finding of the Pearce commission, the blacks under the leaderthe United States, Japan. China National Council led by Bishop and the Soviet Union—with the Muzorewa,
After 1974 the pace was re- background.

And the second s

sumed. Nkomo was released and Smith was again brought to and Smith was again brought to the conference table under pressure of South Africa, with Kenueth Kaunda acting as mediator. The attempt failed, and so did a new conference at Victoria Falls, because the greatly encouraged guerrilla leaders, soon to create the Patriotic Front, demanded power vis a greatly encouraged guerrilla leaders, soon to create the Patriotic Front, demanded power vis a greatly encouraged. power via a one-man-one-vote election immediately.

They backed rueir demands with deeds. The closing of the Rhodesia - Mozambique border

reinforced sanctions and the number of guerrillas in action rose from 90 to 1,000 in eight months. In the following years the war intensified pari passu with attempts to end it by a political settlement before all outhern Africa caught fire and the new Russian techniques were extended to it. Smith admitted the war was going badly, General Walls that it could not General Walls that it could not be won; white emigration leapt. After abortive talks with Nkomo and Muzorewa, the way was opened by the Kissinger initiative, preceded by his visits to the newly so-called. frontline states in 1976. This "package" involved majority rule in two years with seleguards for white control and security; but the Patriotic Front rejected both timetable and safeguards while Smith insisted safeguards while Smith insisted on the package as before. A futile conference in Geneva col-

futile conference in Geneva collapsed.

Dr David Owen, Foreign Secretary, then evolved his own
Anglo-American plan involving
a transitional period of British
control, which was upstaged by
Smith's agreement with
Muzorewa in 1978, granting
black rule with white participation and a white veto in Parliament. This arrangement met
the five principles, and after the five principles, and, after an overwhelming election vican overwhelming election victory, won Conservative Party
endorsement, but got African,
OAU, United Nations and
Patriotic Front repudiation.
When they took power, the
Thatcher Government found
they could not resist this pressure: they were left in no

sure; they were left in no doubt of the readiness of Nigeria and other African states Nigeria and other African states to operate a sort of sanctions against Conservative plans for a British economic revival. So at Lusaka the agreement was reached under which the new conference was held which rectified the imperfections in the Smith Muzorewa constitution and gave Britain temporary sovereign power to supervise the ceasefire and monitor new elections contested by all elections contested by all parties.

South Africa's interest in an orderly and moderate constitutional outcome was not con-cealed by Pretoria. In South Africa after 1974 plans for independent bantustans were hastened forward after years of dawdling, even including land consolidation, and Transkei was given an independence un-recognized by the world in

In a succession of elections since 1970 the Nationalists strengthened their parliamentary position, but the Progression sive Party rose on the riogres-sive Party rose on the ruins of the "me-too" United Party, and Vorster's prestige foun-dered under the "Muldergate" scandal. The new Prime Minister, Botha, hastened lib-meral measures such as legalizing eral measures such as legalizing African trade unions in a desperate attempt to regain con-trol over the pace of events.

the decade of eighties rang up the curtain on the final stand of the South African white laager. The looming question was whether Russian influence would spread even farther, or if the black states, in their new seifconfi-dence, would resist "imperial-ism" in a new guise. The French-speaking states, even Guinea, seemed indeed to be strengthening their ties with France and some rapprochement with the West seemed possible as the oil crisis deepened most African states' problems, their dependence on aid of all kinds enhanced by the aid of all kinds enhanced by the onset of world depression. But the West had a lot of ground to make up to protect its African interests.

Far East

China and US drawn

In the Far East the great the far hast the great change in the 70s was from hostility and suspicion to friendship and cooperation between the United States and China. This change altered relationships throughout the region as well as in the world power balance. Where once the Cold War had most thrived in the air of Dulles it now, finally,

By 1970 the Americans had concluded that China was no longer either a dangerously expansionist power allied to the Soviet Union or the important communist power behind war in Vietnam, By 1970 American public opinion despaired of Vietnam and sought a with-drawal, somehow. Conceivably Sino-American cooperation could assure the peace of the region without a continuing

American presence. For their part, the Chinese had suffered serious border in-cidents with the Russians in 1969. A dangerous confrontation faced China with a mili-tarily far superior neighbour along their difficult frontier. The Chinese were thus more than ready to respond to secret approaches that had begun to link Washington and Peking soon after Mr Nixon's election. With Dr Kissinger's secret visit to Peking in 1971 and Mr Nixon's in 1972 Japan hurriedly switched to recognition of China in the same year. A new quadri-lateral of power took shape— European Community in the



Jubilant Egyptian troops plant their flag on top of a bunker on the Bar-Lev line east of the Suez Canal during their

offensive against Israel in October, 1973. In 1971 China had been elected in place of Taiwan to the permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council. It was expected that it would emerge from the self-imposed isolation of the Cultural Revolution. But China's leadarthin was still at of the Cultural Revolution. But China's leadership was still at loggerheads. For all the respect paid by visiting statesmen to the aging Mao or the queue of countries ready at last to recognize the new China, there remained uncertainty in Peking. Who could fathom the Lin-Piao incident? How strong was the growing opposition to Mao? Nineteen seventy-six was the crucial year of revaluation. Chou En-lai died in January. The demonstration of April 5 The demonstration on April 5 was the first unconcealed act of hostility to Mao's leadership.
When Mao died in September
and the Gang of Four were
arrested in October it was plain that China would turn its back on two decades of damaging Maoist revolution struggle. Since the Cultural Revolution the country had suffered from increasing crime, corruption, factional fighting and strikes. Higher education was almost at a standstill but by the end of the decade a partnership between the newcomer, Hua Guofeng, and the restored Deng Xiaoping had fixed the country's sights on urgent economic growth.

Indo-China, however, mained a problem zone even after 1975 when Kampuchean communist guerrillas took Phnom Penh and Vietnamese communists entered Saigon. At once concealed animosities emerged. Pol Pot's guerrillas had swept into Phnom Penh only to drive our its population with careless brutality. This demonstrated that half-baked Marxists ruling a country totally unfitted for any kind of tragic slaughter and wanton starvatioo_

The Vietnamese, who saw themselves as the natural in-beritors of French authority in all three countries, were soon in conflict with the Kampuchean nationalist Pol Pot.

A year ago Pol Pot's government was replaced by a power-less pupper regime after a purely Vietnamese military operation. This sharpened a growing conflict with China which had openly backed Pol

Vietnamese resentment Chinese domination had deep historical roots. More recently, disagreements dated back to the Geneva conference of 1954. Nor was Kampuchea the only issue. Vietnam's treatment of the overseas Chinese and territorial disputes between the two countries had angered Peking. Hanging over the local resentments was the greater threat to China of Vietnam's close relations with the Soviet Union, sealed by a friendship treaty in 1973. The first blunt answer came with China's 17-day intasion last February followed by threats that the assault might be represed if Viernam's box be repeated if Vietnam's hostility to Peking was not curbed.

tility to Peking was not curbed.
Faced with this continuing turbulence in indo-China the Association of South East Asian Nations (Asean) coordinated their policy towards Vienam. Malaysia, Tuniland and the Philippines had all been ready to set up their own relations with Peking while Mr Lee Kwan Yew went to Peking to explain why Singapore could not do the same. Only Indonesia has not yet resumed diplomatic relations with China.

Aside from the serious retu-Aside from the serious resu-nce problems and the continued fighting in Kampuchea near the That border which could make for danger in this region for some years to come, eisewhere in east Asia the risks of con-flict grew much less in the 70s. A divided Korea, despite the unexpected assassination of President Park, will only be

future of Hongkong. When the 70s began, Japan's rate of economic growth was already astonishing. During the decade the arc of economic prodecade the arc of economic progress that runs from Seoul through Japan to Taiwan, Hongkong and Singapore has been more marked than ever. The whole region is one that rebuts the tag of the Third World nor is it one in which the staff of American embassies are every American embassies are every likely to face the treatment they have been getting in Tenran Undoubtedly, regional consciousness and neighbourly relations matter much more



intruding guerrillas during the protracted war in the 1970s.

Middle East

A trend towards peace

By Edward Mortimer
Three main events have altered the political shape of the Middle East during the 1970s: the October War of 1973, the Sodat initiative of 1977 leading to the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty of 1979, and the Iranian revolution of 1978-79. Less spectacular, but still of great importance in a historical perspective, was Britain's withdrawal from the Gulf in 1971. That was a classic case of the dog that did not bark: the fact that it was not accompanied by any big upheaval was in its way no less important than the fact that upheaval did occur on the other side of the Gulf eight years later. By Edward Mortimer veers later. There was also the war in Lebanon in 1975-6, costiler in human life than either the Arab-Israeli war or the Iranian revolution, and involving the

as the cultural and business centre of the Arab world. In so far as it has been, it is by London and Paris rather than any other Middle East city.

In the Areo-Israeli conflict

there can be little doubt that the trend of the decade has

revolution, and involving the virtual destruction of Lebanon as a political and social entity. Yet one of the tragic frontes of mar conflict is that it has affected the general condition of the Middle East remarkably little. Beirut will never be the same again. But even now it has not really been replaced as the cultural and business centre of the Arab world. In so the Rogers initiative for a cease-fire in the War of Attrition, and united by peaceful means. So.
too, with Taiwan, now more
open than before to Chinese
fayours, and the unresolved

seriously considered now than list challenge to American only Israel and Egypt have they were 10 years ago.

Morxist form, but has been expressed increasingly in religious terms, as a reassertion of traditional Muslim values: a force that neither superpower The main problem faced by

successive American administra-tions has been to reconcile commitment to Israel with the need for good relations with the Arab states, particularly those that export oil. That need has been of increasing concern to the Uni ted States during the decade, as American dependence on Middle East oil imports has grown. Even so, American sup-port for Israel may be said to have paid off, in so far as it has convinced most of the Arab states that only through America can they hope to secure Israeli withdrawal from occupied territory. The October War, though i

undoubtedly came as a shock to Americans at the time, helped to increase their influence in several ways. It shook the Israelis from their com-placency, making them more sware of their dependence on American support. It greatly increased the confidence of increased the confidence of President Sedat, embling him to make a decisive break with the Soviet Union and to establish a strategic alliance with the United States. And it triggered a significant rise in the price of oil, which, though the confidence of oil, which, though the confidence of the price of Americans researed it, made the United States' friends in the Middle East much richer and more infuential.

Another feature of the decade ha; been the emergence of the has been the emergence of the Paicsimian question as the contral feature of the Arab-Israeli conflict, and the growing international acceptance of the Paiestine Liberation Organization as the instrument through which the problem should be tackled. This is one development to which American policy has had difficulty in adjusting, because of its commitment to Israel and the apparent irrecontilability of PLO and Israeli objectives. The Arab states endorsement of the PLO as the rightful owner of the West Bank been towards peace rather train array from it. The 1970s opened with the acceptance by President Nasser and Mrs Meir of rightful owner of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip (at the Rabat summit of 1974) made it virtually impossible to recon-vene the Geneva Middle East ended with President Sadat and Mr Begin signing a treaty in the presence of President the presence of President Carter. The American role has been crucial throughout, and until 1977 American influence in the area increased steadily, while that of the Soviet Union declined Only Libva, under the maverick Colonel Gaddall, moved against that trend. In the past two years, however, the ripples of the Iranian revolution, and the problemes of peace conference which had met for two days and then adjourned in December. 1973. Dr Kissinger, then Secretary of Sman, decided simply to ignore the issue and concentrate on bilateral and partial agreements. President Carter, when he took office, ution, and the unbulence of Arab reaction to the Egyptian-Israeli peace process, have made the course of American policy in the Middle East much made some attempt to entice the PLO into the peace process but had to give up when President Sadat decided to go ahead on the peace process but had to give up when President Sadat decided to go ahead on the peace process but the peace bis own. The result, reached at Camp David in September, 1978, was a "framework for peace in the Middle East" which so far harder to steer. But the Soviet Union has not been a direct beneficiary. The new nationa-

European Community

The club changes for good

By Michael Hornsby Throughout the postwar period the impulse towards economic and policical unity in Europe has ebted and flowed. In retrospect it can be seen that the opening of the 1970s was one of the high water marks in the constant flux and reflux of those forces favourable to some kind of federation of Europe. By the end of the decade the federalist idea was to full retreat on most fronts. Though the emergence of the European Parliament as a power to be reckoned with seemed to counter this trend.

The 1950s were a period of transitional consolidation for the EEC of the Six which saw in particular the establishment of what is still the Community's most ambitious, if much criticized, supra-national venture—the common agricultural policy. It was also a period dominated by the France of General de Gaulle who twice rebuffed applications by Britain to join

applications by Britain to join the EEC club.

By 1969, however, General de Gaulle had been replaced by President Pompidou and a new wind was blowing. This change of mood, was expressed in a summit meeting of the Six in The Hague in December of that year. The meeting par only year. The meeting not only endorsed the opening of entry negotiations with Britain, Ire-land and Denmark, but also em-braced the concept of economic and monetary union, which had not been envisaged in the Treaty of Rome.

Treaty of Rome.
On this high note the 1970s opened. Preparations for economic and monetary union proceeded apace, and in Paris in October 1972 heads of government of the Six and the three members designate agreed that full economic and monetary union should be in operation by the end of 1980, at the latest. The stages by which this ambitious goal was to be achieved were also set out. were also set out.

were also set out.

Britain, Ireland and Denmark had already signed a Treaty of Accession in January 1972, and they entered the Community at the start of the following year. It was a time of high confidence. The European economy was buoyant and the long era of Gaullist obstructionism seemed to have given way to a resurgence of faith in the benefits of European cooperation. But this mood was not to last for more than a year or so. tion. But this mood was not to last for more than a year or so.

The disappearance of Mr Edward Heath into the political wilderness, and the loss of M Pompidon through death stopped the burgeoning Anglo-French understanding in its tracks. President Giscard d'Estaing barely bothered to conceal his contempt for Sir Harold Wilson and never established a rapport with Mr Callished a rapport with Mr Cal-laghan. As the decade ended he was still puzzling over bow to handle Mrs Margaret Thatcher's blunt ractics.

Even more important than these clashes of personality was the sudden change in the EEC's economic climate provoked by the Yora Kippur war and the quadrupling of oil prices at the end of 1973. The EEC's economic decline was uneven, and for a time it seemed that the impact of the oil price rises had been exaggerated but it became clear that there could be no quick return to the sus-tained high growth of the

The EEC came more and more to be seen by the outside world as a protectionist block using its collective economic weight to keep more competitive suppliers at bay. A more hopeful development was the recognizion by the Nine that one of the few potential areas for export expansion by in the markets of the developing countries. This insight was re-

British entry against Gaullist resistance.

In the second half of the 1950s Britain still thought of itself as a world power. It still had the remnants of empire to dispose of, and empire and Commonwealth ties and the "special relationship with America still excited more British hearts than the idea of a politically united Empire which inspired the EEC's continental founding fathers. Bespite Britain's steady decline in status during the 1960s much of this mental and psychological ballast was carried into EEC membership.

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These anachronistic British animales were matched by the slowness of the Str, and especially the Prench, to accept that their cosy little club could never be the same again after the exuption of a large newcomer with economic in-

newcomer with economic interests in many cases diametricelty epposed to those of the
original membership.
This was true not only in
againsture, where Britain's
historical reliance on chesp
imports rair counter to the erperience of the rest of the
Community, but also in fisheries,
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The facture of repeased arremots at reform of the EEC's demonstrably masterial agricultural policy, was a Leitmonif of the decade. The drain on the EEC's financial resources in the cost of facture in the cost of t

the EEC's financial resources imposed by the cost of farm price support was central to Britain's compositors about the imbalance in its payments to and receipts from the Community budget.

It was the main element in Britain's 1974-75 renegonation of its membership terms, and as the decade closed was once again preoccupying the EEC to the exclusion of samost everything else.

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These problems might have seemed less dominating if Britain's industry, conquated labour-management relations and low productivity had responded as hoped to the stimulus of REC membership, but this they stubburnly refused to do.

do. Even as the EEC was digest-Even as the EEC was digesting this intractable, and apparently incorragible new comer, it was faced with applications for membership from three new countries Greece. Spain and Portugal By the end of 1979 only Greece had completed negotiations, and was due to enter the EEC on January 1, 1981.

The establishment of the

The establishment of the The establishment of the European Monetary System early in 1979, reflecting a revival of interest in monetary mior (the original goal of 1980 having been quickly abandoned), and this year's bid by the first directly elected European Parliament to assert control over the EEC budget, suggested that federalism was not entirely dead.

not entirely dead.

None the less, the EEC stood on the threshold of the 1980s in a state of greater uncertainty about its future evolution than at any time since its founding.

United States

Chastened by Vietnam and crises

By Patrick Brogan By Patrick Brogan

The spate of stricles in American newspapers commemorating the 1970s have concentrated on the earlier years of that decade, which were after all, much the most exciting; wars, riots, scandals and constitutional crises entertain newspapers and their readers more than do energy shortages, born-again Christian presidents and bicentennial observances.

observances.

History does not conform to the decimal system. In a rough sort of way, the last distinct period that could be sat aside as a "decade" began with the assassination of President John Kennedy in November, 1963, and ended with the departure of the American Ambassador to South Vietnam from the roof of his Embassy, aboard a navel helicopter, on April 29, 1975.

What a British instortion reobservances.

helicopter, on April 29, 1975.
What a British instortin referred to in 1952 as "the illusion of American omnipocence" was still potent in the 1960s. Remember Kennedy's pangural promise: "Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to assure the survival and guccess of liberty." liberty."

Things have changed since then. When Jimmy Carter was sworn into the presidency in 1977, he said: "We have learned that more is not necessarily better, that even our great nation has its recognized limits, and that we can neither answer all questions nor solve all problems."

solve all problems. The discontinuity turned around America's failure to defend democracy, or at least anti-communism, an Indo-China. It was a crushing defeat for the United States, which had chosen the cause, the battlefield and the weapons. Defeat in South-East Asia was quickly followed by a Soviet difference in Africa and on the periphery of the Middle East.

There are still, of course, land-based intercontinental ballone of the few potential areas for export expansion by in the lieve their country commitment. Case of Senator Edward Kennarkets of the developing countries. This insight was reflected in the innevency Lone of Senator Edward Kennaries; and between 500 and for the presidency is "We must not allow foreigners in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific with more than 50 countries in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific was egainst this unproposite fous economic backcloth that Britain's first seven years in the EEC were played out. As the 1970s came to an end there was no hiding the profound sense of disenchantment both in Britain and in those members.

The painful experience of the Continued on opposite page. There are still, of course,

of the original Six such as Vienam war raught West Germany and Holland, Americans, however, the which had fought hardest for limits to their power to British entry against Gaullist to the world. That experies resistance. Americans, however, the severe limits to their power to control the world. That experience was followed immediately by the sudden loss of control over their energy supplies in 1973-74. The dollar, which once be-strode the narrow world like a colossus had already been found to have feet of clay.

A fear was frequently expressed in the mid-70s that the United States defeat in Viennam would heighten isolationism. These were the years when Sancon Miles Marchall when Senator Mike Mansfield. majority leader, submirred resolutions to the Senate callresolutions to the Senate calling for a sharp reduction in American forces in Europe.

The fears proved groundless.
Americans of all policical par-

sussions recognized that the United States could no langer hide behind oceans. Mr Carter, who permised to reduce Ameri-can groups if Korea, was forced by the view he saw from the White House to eat his words. The crisis in Iran has pro-voked a resuggence of simple patriotism. The White House calmly announced just before calmiy almounced just before Christmas ahas studies were under way to set up a fast reasmon force of 140,000 men which could fly to prepared bases in the Middle East. A suggestion that would have provoked calls to impeach the president five years ago passed monopoised.

unopposed.
The United States has more or less recovered from the treumes of the Vietnam war. It has learne its lessons, at least for the moment, and would doubtless hesitate to embark as that one. The Ayatollah Khomein may yet learn, however, the limits to American

patience.
The years 1963-75 saw the rise and fall of United States black militancy, which reached a paraxysm in 1971, and, or course, the anti-war movement. A few years later, the propers were full of articles asking whatever happened to the crudent radicals of the movestudent radicals of the move-

ment.
They have become They have become respectable, some are in Congress, many in other branches of government. The 'spirit of iconoclasm survived tif dance away the night of President Nixon's resignation in August, 1977, and then evaporated. Domestic policies now are wholly defined by economic questions, with the debate between the individual's realization that there is an energy exists and that there could be a recession, and his own experience that his condition is better than it has ever been.

Five years after the end of

Five years after the end of the Watergate affair, it still looks like the constitutional crisis of the century. Other presidents twisted the law, some in more serious ways than Mr Nixon: It has recently emerged that President Kennedy con-doned unsuccessful assassmanon plots against foreign leaders. Mr Nixon demonstrated that Presidents can be brought to account for their wrongdoings.

If he had not resigned, he would have been impeached and sent to jail. It will be a long time before one of his successors, misled by the imperial panoply and offical obsequiousness that surrounds an American president, will think taniself above the law.

The United States, then, entered the second half of the 1970s and continues into the 1980s with a chastened presidency, a more modest foreign policy and a great uncertainty At the same time, it is more united than it has been since 1963 and is therefore ready, rejecting isolationism, to face up to the challenges of the time whether they come from the Soviet Union or the Third World.

Strategic Arms

Nuclear balance maintained

Defence Correspondent

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The 1970s opened with the
United States and the Soviet
Union struggling to find a formula for the first Strategic
Arms Limitation Treaty
(Salt-1). They end with both
governments waiting, and hoping, for the United State Senate's ratification of Salt-2—the
greaty which, to use an earlier,
heady phrase of Dr Henry
Kissinger, should "put a cap
on the arms race."

Whether it will ever do that

Whether it will ever do that remains to be seen. But its provisions which seek m codify strategic parity by limiting the numbers and to some extent the types of nuclear weapons deployed, at least reflect the arms race of the decade and the directions in which this had led. led.

led.
Ten years ago she United States than 2,270 strategic nuclear delivery systems (SNDS), and between two and three times as many wanheads. The difference in numbers was due only partly to its recent development, of MIRV technology, which meant that a mumber of quite independent warheads covering widely separated targets could be fitted to one missile.

These forces included 1,054 inno-based intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBMs); 656 Polaris missiles carried by a fleet of 41 ballistic missile sub-

REVIEW OF A DECADE

atinued from opposite page The Soviet Union had about 30 ICBMs, including 240 9s with a yield of more than megatons, and about 50 subrines with strategic missiles, only 10 of the boats were ipped with the SSN-6, whose ge of 1,750 miles made it ghly comparable to the 2 880. get of 1,750 miles made it ghly comparable to the 2,880-Polaris. Twenty-five of m were only diesel-electric marines, whose 350-mile missile could be fired only r the boat had surfaced, eover, the Soviet force of aircraft included only 140 range Bisons and Bears e the others were medium to Badgers.

tere was already concern to the strategic balance, and concept of parity was establed. But American technolar superiority was clear for o see. Soviet ICBMs were rr, but less accurate than American equivalents Morethe was multiplication of the vast multiplication of eads promised by the uni introduction of MIRVbersuaded the Americans to the 1972 Salt-1 treaty— h actually allowed the Rus-to deploy more missile ms than the United States. t the Americans underated the determination of Russians to catch up, and speed with which they do so. This is not immediapparent from the aggrefigures published by the national Institute for agic Scudies in The Miles figures published by menational Institute for egic Studies in The Mili-Balance 1979-80. These that while the number of that while the number of the SNDs now stands at compared with the Americal of 2,142, the Russians still only 5,000 warheads the American figure of lathough the Russian; is scheduled to rise to it a few years time.

in a few years' time. Soviet land-based ICBMs include systems like the SS-18s and SS-19s which ot only carry multiple war-but which have an acy comparable with that 550 Minuteman-3s. (The has a reported accuracy ft.) And being larger, they ury more warheads.

eover the Russians now 650 SLBMs in 64 sub-es, and Delta-3 boats with the SSN-18 5,000-MIRV missiles are rolling Russian shipways at a rate disturbs Congress. The cans have by contrast only ibmarines carrying 496 ions and 10 which are still ed with Polaris—although 200-mile Trident-1 missile e deployed in the 1980s. so to Salt-Z. If it is ever dit will limit each side to of 2,250 systems and will be converted to carry ; 1,200 for land and sea-missile launchers and 820 RV-ed land-based systems. are also other provisions ing a limit on "heavy" ing a limit on "heavy" s, although the Russians allowed to fit MIRVs on 308 that they have at

was a treaty between re and the tortoise. Now re has woken up and is inxious than he probably ie not to make the same arms race that the 1970s

he other band it is arguhat what is remarkable the balance in 1979 is not has changed so much, but has charged so little, incern reflected by Cons in sharper focus now. still covers the same area crosson of American stra-

speriority over the Soviet e is still a balance, which s manageable. Perhaps ef reason for this is that ne two superpowers still t in place, despite the of change blowing from 1st which at one time ned to upset its equili-Perhaps the most com-reason for early ratifi-

cation of Salt-2 is the need to avert the proliferation of nuclear weapons which could to how in the 1980s if the superpowers continued to place bigger and better weights on the scales.

HOME

Northern Ireland

Hopes fade, targets change

From Christopher Thomas

Belfast In 1970 a curfew was imposed for three hateful nights in Falls Road; the Ulster. Defence Regiment was officially born; and the notorious B-Specials were deservedly scrapped.

Every year since then the headlines have carried a grisly message ofe violence, political failure and dashed hopes. Except for the passionately dedi-cated, the war has become a matter of confusion, anger and dazed acceptance.

The IRA had taken to the

streets as an undisciplined and violent reaction to years of social injustice during which the normal political institutions demonstrably failed to give voice to the aggrieved. But the street army has moved on, and if it chooses to have another decade of sophisticated violence it has the means and ability to

The Provisional IRA has developed a deadly cunning, a military discipline and prowess that mean a few hundred mur-derers can keep 13,000 regular soldiers and 7,500 part-timers fully occupied. Militarily it cannot be defeated; only by draconian security measures could the violence be held down to what the Army prosaically calls acceptable levels.

It is almost 10 years since the first soldier was shot; in about a month it will be the tenth anniversary of the first soldier shot dead. In six months it will be 10 years since 300 neurle were rounded as people were rounded up and interned; and in two years Bloody Sunday, when 13 people were shot by security forces in Londonderry, will be 10

years old. For most of the past decade Ulster has been administered blue a number of sub-is: 1,320 for MIRV-ed so and bombers carrying missiles (120 B-52s are unimportant, which stifles the ambitious and the clever. And the decade ends with 2,000 dead because of the war.

Their ghosts haunt this place and sometimes the voice of peace shouts louder than that of violence. But the legacy of Tone, Emmet, Pearse and Con-nolly drives the IRA on as Belfast slams its doors and

draws its curtains each night.

The IRA's tactics have changed abruptly in the past few years. The horrible bombines of created and the complete the the death and maining of thousands of innocent people of both communities, have ended. The targets now are carefully selected, and executed with cold-blooded efficiency.

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Civilian deaths are down to one of their lowest levels of the decade; military deaths are this year the highest since 1972, which was a year of unprecedented violence in which 146 members of the security forces and 336 civilians were shot or bombed to death.

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The Peace People swept in with their message of hope in 1976, enjoyed several heady months on the front pages, gradually slipped down to page four and finally passed out of the limelight altogether. IRA ceasefires have come and gone.



Embattled Belfast children in a fearful wasteland.

just like the political initia-Sunningdale, the power sharing executive, the crippling "strike" by "loyalists" of 1974; it is all a part of history

as the fighting continues. And as the politicians prepare for another constitutional conference an average of four people week are dying. The deprivation in parts of

Belfast is frightening. Anybody who feels like risking a drive through Turf Lodge, Whiterock, Ballymurphy or the Lower Falls cannot avoid being There, fear is the moved. The working-class Roman

Catholics and Protestants have drawn strict boundary lines during the 1970s. You can tell whose territory you are in by reading the slogans.

But wherever you are the scene is the same relentless scene is the same: relentless rows of centuries old terraces, some of them bombed and bricked up; Army vehicles everywhere; barbed wire and great walls of corrugated iron protecting vital installations; roads strewn with bricks and stones that have been hurled a thousand times at military vehicles. Hope, tragically is vehicles. Hope, tragically, is in short supply.

The Irish struggle began centuries ago; the IRA is merely 60 years old. Though based on the experience of deprivation and an emotional commitment to republicanism and Irish unity, it tried with limited success during the latter part of the cying decade to develop a greater theoretical and intellectual base.

But political thinkers will never dominate the gut feeling for an Irish Ireland, Gaelic and free, which goes back to the Middle Ages. But in that context, there can be no prospect that the revolutionary torch will be extinguished in the will be 1980s.

Terrorism

A monster comes of age

By Dan van der Vat Terrorism, murderous off-spring of the late Sixties, became a full-grown monster

and went international in the Seventies, ending the decade as an arknowledged instrument of government policy and thus taking its place alongside war as an extension of diplomacy.

. The students who overran the American Embassy in Teh-ran and took 50 hostages enjoy the open backing of the Aya-tollah Khomemi, head of the theocratic, Islamic republic in Lian. For years before that, the Libyan head of state, Colonel Gaddafi, was openly funding terrorist groups in several parts of the world from his oil revenues.

Terrorism has always bee with us. Ancient Romans had to contend with it in Juddaea just as modern Italians do in their own country and Israeli descendants of the Judaeans in theirs. The new terrorism is different in two crucial respects: its international character and its exploitation of "instant" modern communications for both movement and

publicity. Thus Carlos Ramirez, a rich Marxist malcontent from Venezuela, turned up in London to shoot a leading Jewish busi-nessman, Sir Marcus Sieff, in the face, on behalf of the Palestinians. The abduction of European bankers and diplo-mats in Central and South America led to huge, rambling advertisements in Spanish in Britain's national press.

Japanese gunmen mowed down passengers at Lod air-port in Israel in the Palestiniau cause; Germans and Irish went to the Middle East for training in the most economical methods of indiscriminate slaughter; guns stolen from American Army bases in Ger-many were used to shoot down Italian politicians; and German terrorists on the run sought refuge in south Yemen, Yugoslavia and a mechanics

training centre in London. Terrorism became both a mustinational industry and an equal-opportunity employer.

Lelia Khaled was among the first of her sex to become an international figure by terrorizing the innocent when she helped to hijack a British airliner which was later blown up at Dawson's Field in Jordan. But the oddest and most notorious woman terrorist to command the headlines in the seventies was surely Ulrike Membol, the West German who learned her ideals at the knee of her highly intellectual foster-mother and turned ter-

rorist when her best efforts to change West German society by high-quality journalism and public protest failed to produce the results her romanticism thought they should. She committed suicide in 1975. Two distinct varieties of terrorism emerged during the period. One relates to external

targets and can reasonably be called "cause" terrorism. This would cover the Palestinians, who want to drive the Israelis from what they regard as their exclusive homeland; the IRA, who seek to expel the British from the residual corner of Ireland they still "occupy"; the South Moluccans, who want the Dutch to persuade the Indonesians to let them have independence; and the Patriotic Front, who set out to depose the racial minority in Southern Rhodesia from their monopoly

The other is internal or protest "terrorism. This covers the Larin Americans, who use terror as a weapon against dictators difficult to distinguish from themselves in their methods; the West Germans, Italians and Turks, who want to save their respective societies by destroying them; and the feeble Angry Brigade in Britain, whose impenetrable pseudo-revolutionary gobbledygook suggested inchoate aims to save Britain from itself by dismantling it with high explo-

One of the more frightening spectres of the past decade has been that the two motives were fused into a worldwide freemasonry of the bullet, the bomb and the booby-trap.

The international community

was slow to respond but eventually managed to force changes of tactics on the terrorists. Hijacking is now rel-atively unbeard of. After initial disasters like the Munich massacre of 1972, the West Germans scored a brilliant success with their special anti-ter-ror commando at Mogadishu five years later, while the Dutch Marines learned how to storm a train. One nightmare failed

come true: nobody was able to use nuclear blackmail to further the ends of terrorism.
There may be a much worse story to tell at the end of the eighties. Education

Much talk, little progress

By Diana Geddes

Education Correspondent The 1970s marked an unsettled period of transition in education, sandwiched between a period of growth, contidence, and experimentation in the 1960s, and a period of contraction and severe economic con straint as we move juto the 1980s Primary school rolls began

to fall sharply soon after the decade began. Hundreds of schools closed. Teachers had to retrain or be made redundant.
Parent power, which was to be such a feature in the 1970s, turned its attention first to save the grammar school, then to save the local village school, and now, at the end of the decade, to save the popular comprehensive school.

In secondary schools, rolls continued to rise until 1979, but their confidence was sapped early in the decade by a flood of distillusioned criticism. cism that came first in the form of the so-called Black Papers, and then in the Great Debate, initiated in 1976 by Mr James Callaghan, then Prime Minister. Standards are falling: back

to hasics, was the cry. In fact, there is little evidence to show that standards were falling. However, the rapid increase in the 1960s in the proportion of pupils passing O and A levels levelled off in the 1970s, and the proportion which chose to go into higher education actually fell from 13.5 per cent to about 12 per cent. Comprehensive schools. which by the end of the 1970s

accounted for more than 85 per cent of secondary school pupils compared with one third at the beginning, were held responsible for the claimed decline in standards, with their alleged "tready" teaching methods and mixedteaching methods and mixed-ability classes, lack of dis-cipline, and concentration on the backward child at the expense of the able child. Schools and teachers were badly shaken by the criticisms. Some good innovatory work was stopped. Some bad prac-tices continued, because no

accusing finger was being pointed. Much of the advice and evidence from research was confusing and contradictory. A few good schools bat-tened down the hatches and continued on their enlightened voyage while the storm raged around them.

The recent Schools Inspec-

The recent Schools Inspectorate's report on secondary schools shows how mistaken much of the criticism was. Schools were if anything too traditional and too disciplinarian rather than too progressive.

The decade has seen a lot of talk-a steady stream of sur-

ric decade has seen a ful of talk; a steady stream of surveys, inquiries, studies, and reports; and much superficial activity and upheaval. Yet underneath, there appears to have been little fundamental activity and superficial contents. change, just external accre-tions such as the addition of an extra compulsory year of schooling in 1973, and a wealth of new courses and examination syllabuses.

From the beginning there

were discussions about the con-tinued existence of the indetinued existence of the inde-pendent schools, the reform of the examination system: the curricular needs of the bottom half of the ability range; the training and retraining of teachers. Everything still remains to be settled.

But the talk, and even the nervous feeling of uncertainty that it produced, has not been altogether in vain. The very process of questioning and self-examination has been salutory. But now the schools are longing for a period of stabi-

lity and consolidation, and they are not going to get it. The 1960s were unjustifiably The 1960s were unjustifiably optimistic; the 1970s unjustifiably pessimistic. The danger is that deep and largely unplanned spending cuts, combined with the effects of sharply falling secondary school rolls, will further damage an already low morale and will impede new developments to such an extent that teachers and administrators could begin to give up, and we would see a return to a nar-

row, vocational schooling.
The signs are already there. Schools are to be made more accountable by proving their worth in terms of examination results. Universities are being cut back. Science, technology, and other courses designed to contribute to the economy are in"; learning for learning's

sake appears to be "out". Government, while paying lip-service to local authority freedom, seems to be taking a tighter and tighter grip on the reins. A nationally-determined "core" curriculum will almost certainly be introduced. A national policy for higher education could well follow.

Air travel

Laker's big impact

By Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent
For aviation and space, the
1970s were the decade when costs arrested the march of technology. Wide-bodied airliners were

just coming into service with the airlines as the period opened, offering twice the number of seats compared with the aircraft they were replacing, lower operating costs and the prospect of lower fares. But the prospect was obscured by the 1973-74 oil crisis, which raised airline fuel costs by up to 300 per cent within 12 months. Sir Freddie Laker, however, remained undaunted by the gloom that trend pro-duced throughout the rest of the airline industry. He brought to a successful conclusion his seven-year battle

for acceptance of his cheap, no-bookings Skytrain service across 30 hours to three.

one was quite sure where the the North Atlantic. The impact on the entire airline industry was far-reaching. The main operators with services to the United States were forced to match Laker's fares on their

scheduled services. The charter end of the indus-try evaporated almost overnight

and the International Air Transport Association, the fare-fixing body to which all the big scheduled carriers belonged but, needless to say, Laker did not, had to reconsider its regulations and indeed its whole frameand, indeed, its whole frame-work. It could have been only co-incidence, but shortly after the Laker "revolution", the Carter Administration in the United States embraced the principle of aviation deregulation, the policy that any airline can fly

anywhere it wants, charging any The result was that in spite of the rise in costs produced for the airlines by the oil crisis early in the decade, fares have marked time in real terms so that the travelling public has been able to pick up travel bargains.

But as the decade closes, new But as the decade closes, new and possibly even heavier cost increases affect the airlines as the Onec nations put up the price of oil once more. Whereas in 1973 aviation was paying about 14 US cents a gallon for kerosene, today the average price is 8590 cents, and on the spot market it has already sone as high as \$1.30 already gone as high as 51.50 in some parts of the world.

While the advent of the jumbos was ushering in the era of cheap, mass travel (and the era of the massive air disaster, with more than 500 killed when two 747s collided on the run-way at Tenerife), there were also significant developments at

the elite end of the market. Concordes came into service with British Airways and Air France, linking Europe with North America in three and a half hours. In the early 1960s the same

ourney could take 17 hours. But once again costs overcame technology. Braniff and Singapore Airlines signed leasing deals, no one else wanted to buy such an expensive gas guzzler and the assembly lines at Bristol and l'oulouse, laid down with such heady enthusiosm a decade earlier, were quietly taken un. In civil aviation the 1970s will also be remembered as the decade of the hijack, with extremist groups from all parts of the world using the publi-city that inevitably attaches to an attack on aviation to further

their often obscure causes. Tighter security at airports has almost eliminated the practice, but the security is paid for by the passenger with a succharge averaging £1 on every ticket bought.

Environmental groups attacking the aviation industry on the ground of noise and the waste of financial and land resources of tinancial and land resources were another phenomenon of the 1970s. Although they were generally less militant, people were killed during protest against the siting of the new Tokyo international airport at Maries. Narita.

In space the Americans, having pur a man on the moun flinched from the enormous cost of keeping up the race. No such constraints worried the Russians and in November. 1978, two of their cosmonwith set a record for endurance in an Earth orbit of 139 days.

Both the United States and the Soviet Union made enormous advances with satellite technology during the decade, so that it is now as simple to dial a wrong number to Sydney. Australia, from control London Australia, 1500 central London as it is to SW1. Faced with technical diffi-culties, the Americans put off until 1981 the first launch of their space shuttle, the Earth-orbit vehicle that in two decades could reduce the London-Australia travel time from

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in became an oil pro-in the Seventies. The orth Sea oil was brought in 1975. The country be self-sufficient in oil and middle of next year, tects of the post-war monetary in the Sea oil was brought to the world. The shape of the problem is clear, the solution is less so. clear enough. For a quarter of the past 35 years

though much of it will be exported. As the decade ends the Brirish are about to restart once more the debate about nuclear energy. The arguments over the harnessing of nuclear power to make electricity have ricocheted across Europe and America for the past 10 years, raising the emotional tempera-ture in each country as poten-tial power was weighed against possible hazards. The burning out of the reactor at Three Mile Island, Pennsylvania, in March this year and the imsyatt film, The China Syndrome, which described just such an incident have made many people wary of muclear power.

What lessons are there for What lessons are there for the Eighties? One, above all, should have been learned; but it is a lesson which we all seem loath to take on board. Simply put, the governments of the West, while recognizing the scarcity of energy resources, particularly oil, are rejucted to place the matter

resources, particularly oil, are reluctant to place the matter plainly before their peoples. It is one thing to make speeches exhorting the people to conserve energy; it is quite another to take practical steps to ensure that conservation does take place when exhortation has patently failed. Our continued profligacy with oil products simply cannot continue and as long as politicians, allow it to go on they are not taking the energy crisis seriously.

International Finance

The dollar dethroned

Harry Dexter White and John Maynard Keynes were

system, put together a Brethon Woods, New Hampshire in Woods, New Hampshire in 1944. If they had met together in some monetary Valhalia in 1970 they could have been forgiven for thinking that their work had well withstood thetest of time. test of time. True, international

markets were becoming significantly more volatile. The 1967 devaluation of sterling had been seen by some as the breach of the first line of defence for the dollar as the world's pivotal currency. There had been two years of periodic Franco-German currency turmoil. And, there were the worries, expressed by Henry Fowler, the American Secretary of the Treasury, that the international reserve system might be undermined if the private market price fell below the official \$35 an ounce.

All in all, however, their system was holding. What is more it had shown its ability to adapt to changing circumworld's pivotal currency. There

adapt to changing circumstances. The technical work had already been done on introducing "paper gold"—the International Monetary Fund's own Special Drawing Rights— as a central asset and unit of account for the rest of the sys-

tem. What was more, a sensible dis cussion was under way at all levels about the desirability of moving away from rigidly fixed exchange rates, though the theoretical and practical arguments as between "free floating" were still a long wave were still a long way

from resolution.

If, however, the two friends and protagonists are surveying the scene from above this New Year, their mood must be very different. For in the past 10 different. For in the past 10 years their system has shattered. The 1970s in short saw the dethroning of the dollar from the splendid central position given it at Bretton Woods. It also destroyed the hope that the IMF would steadily grow in its role as the central bank or the sprild.



Nuclear scare at Three-Mile Island.

of war, the rest of the world was prepared to enjoy the fruits of a dollar dominated system, which effectively system, which effectively meant that the United States was outside the constraints and disciplines which applied to other currencies and econo-

In a closed system, if West Germany and Japan and others liked to enjoy a miracle of economic expansion, while at the same time insisting on a balance of payments surplus, someone had to provide the deficits. The United States and deficits. Ine United States and the dollar in effect funanced those 25 years of unparalleled prosperity for the Western industrial world.

But in the 1970s the confidence trick broke. Inflation was the bugbear and there was the major dollars ground.

was the pugpear and there were too many dollars around. Vietnam allowed the French and others, to give dollar imperialism a bad name. After the 1973-74 oil price explosion, huge dollar balances ended up in the new Arab hands. The vast offshore dollar market, which was only in embryo in 1970, added all the extra instability of a market made for speculation.

If the shape of the problem

there are now more dollars in international circulation than are wanted. The dollar has taken on, or been given, a much larger share of the role of being a world reserve and trading currency than is justified by the size of the Ameriсал есовошу Since 1945 Europe

Japan and others have restored the real economic and indus-trial balance. This shift has not been reflected in international finance. It is clear, therefore, that whether they like it or not (and after the experiences of sterling and the dollar most do not) other currencies like the German mark, the Swiss franc and the Japanese yen appropriate share of the world reserve currency role.
So far as the dollar is concerned the analysis must lead to the conclusion that, since

there are too many dollars, dollars must be taken off the market. This means that either the United States, or the IMF, or some other new institution, must offer holders of un wanted dollars the chance to change them into something which they prefer. The logic is clear. The problem as always is the lack of political will. Politicians in the United States and elsewhere have

the ends. They continue to show, however, a fully equivaleut unwillingness to will the

The Economy

Worse than our partners By David Blake

No one should predict the 1980s The appailing example of those who forecast the shape of the 1970s should be warning against doing that.
As the seventies opened

there were many who believed that they could detect a real change in our economic for-tures. Writing on January 1, 1970, the then Chancellor, Mr Roy Jenkins, said that the pros-pects facing the county were encouraging than for

more encouraging many years.

How did the false dawn of 1970, when the Government ran a surplus on its budget and Britain had a surplus on its foreign payments, give way to the reality of the 1970s, with previously unheard of inflation rases. unemployment levels rates, unemployment levels which would have been dis-missed as inconceivable in the immediate postwar years and a growing feeling that our in-dustrial base was in danger of

withering away?
Much of the answer lies in the world economic crisis which has caused higher unemployment and inflation everywhere bur our performance has been significantly worse than that of any other major industrial country.

After a slightly uncertain start the early 1970s were marked by a short, but very sharp, boom. Output increased everywhere, with even the United Kingdom registering the quite astonishing increase in real output of 8 per cent in non ground between the two main parties when in ground to the per cent in main parties when in ground the per cent in the parties when in ground the parties when the parties when the parties are parties and the parties are parties are parties and the parties are parties and the parties are parties are parties are parties and the parties are parties a

been ready enough to agree on t seeds of its own destruction. Inflation rose everywhere as wages went up sharply and commodity prices soared. Although western countries now tend to blame all the problems of recent years on the decision of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec), to in-crease oil prices in 1973, that price increase was just the cul-mination of inflationary trends already threatening to break down the system.

By 1974, western industrial nations faced a combination of stagnation and inflation, two evils which had never really occurred before. In Britain the inflation was particularly severe; prices were rising at well over 25 per cent a year in the middle of 1975. Even tight and initially suc-

cessful incomes policies failed to bring the inflation rate down below 10 per cent until 1978, a success which turned out to be short-lived. The pay restraint policy broke down and inflation shot up.

The domestic inflation of 1976 was followed by the external sterling crisis of 1976; and, although in retrospect the crisis was clearly overdone, there is no doubt that the two problems, inflation at home and a flight from the pound abroad, produced a fundamental change in the attitude of most ordinary people and policy-makers to the running of the British economy. The mid-1970s were the time when 1970s were the time when belief in the inevitability of prosperity disappeared from Britain.

For the past five years no government has been able to promise fast growth or even full employment. Instead, they have concentrated with varying degrees of success on bringing down inflation first, as some-thing which must be done if the basis for future growth is to be laid.

main parties when in govern-

But the boom contained the ment, though the consensus eeds of its own destruction. In shows signs of traying under the strains of opposition. The first is the need to keep tight control of the money supply in order to hold down the amount of inflation which the system can finance. The Conservative Government's commitment to this is a change of degree from the stance of its predecessor, rather than a complete switch of direction.

> The second thrust has been a feeling that something has to be done to help the "pro-ductive" sector of the economy, which is sometimes interpreted as being industry and sometimes as being the private sector as a whole. Public spending on goods and services has been declining continuously as a share of total national output since 1975; and there has been increasing emphasis on the need to cut income tax, thus restoring the incentive to work.

> The big issue of the 1980s will be whether these policies can actually get the inflation rate down to acceptable levels and restore some real growth in the economy. Even the most optimistic would have to admit that the going will be tough for our industrial and manufacturing base has not simply stag-nated during the seventies: it has declined.

In 1973 the British car indus-In 1973 the British car industry produced nearly two million vehicles; this year its output will be little more than half that. Well over half the domestic market now goes to imports. Steel, the backbone of any industrial nation, produced 28 million tons in 1970; this year it will produce 21.5 million tons and very large cutbacks are on and very large cutbacks are on

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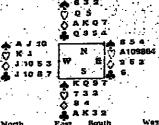
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In teams-of-four matches the bidding and play approximate



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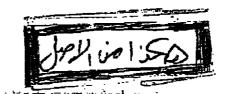
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1.10 Any Questions ?

4.30 Time for Verse.

10.45 Pick of the Week.† 11.35 International Assignment.

10.05 Talking Politics Christma:

PERSONAL CHOICE Ebid Bagnold's book about some children who train a norse to win the Grand National. Infinitely berter than the boring sequel, International Velvet, made in Britain a Couple of years ago. Mickey Rooney and a very young Elizabeth Taylor head the cast. This is what they usually mean when they

mes and Frances Tomelry in Gloo-Joo, the play by Hastings (ITV. 10.00)

im of Vienna Blood shown recently on BBC Television, iss opened out, spread over more acres than the intended. But the result, paradoxically, was not more out less because, in being forced to travel from A to B characters had to be shown doing something en l what they did was distracting and often unStraussian. performance of Die Fledermaus (BBC 2, 6.15) has no fing. It is Leopold Lindtberg's production that was Covent Garden on New Year's Eve. 1977, and whatever were taken—anachronistic jokes and German libretto ided quotes from almost as many foreign tongues as ained in the Tower of Babel—they did not come Strauss and the listener's enjoyment of him. A le cast : Benjamin Luxon (as Falke), Kiri Te Kanawa inda), Herman Prey (Eistenstein). Hildegard Heichele md Robert Tear (Orkovsky). Zubin Mehta conducts the of the Royal Opera

Jodfather? Or Time Machine? Perhaps Jimmy Savile is both. Certainly the way he makes children's wishes , smacks of pautomime. Equally certainly, he compre of years between expectation and realization and shows a short cut. I leave others to assess what effect all B a child's psychological make-up. What I am concerned e entertainment value of Mr Savile's alchemy in Jim'll 3C 1, 6.15), and in this respect, I find the programme alt. I look forward keenly to seeining Robin Day rviewed tonight by a nine-year-old lad from Forest Hill

like the twist that producer Rosemary Hart has given 's extended edition of the nightly arts magazine ope (Radio 4, 10.15). She has got Sheridan Morley to ne of the programme's contributors questions about ch Kaleidoscope has carried during the dying year. of shock tactic should sort out the specialist from the . The clutch of pundits taking part in tonight's Critics' adio 3, 5.45) will be given a much smoother ride. In 1979, all they need do is pick out their own particular that and the other.

ternoon's Passage to India (Radio 4, 4.40) is not E. M. though Mr Forster has gone on record as saying that two people whose passage it is—the newly-wed Eliza iose letters Julia Keay's radio feature is based—is " a igeous and gallant (with an) eye and an ear always on ." The period of Mrs Fay's passage to India is 1779.

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Broadcasting Guide

Edited by Peter Davalle

BBC 1 9.30 am Multi-Coloured Swap Shop: Noel Edmonds's omnibus programme for youngsters, with Lalla Ward (from Dr Who); the very talented draughtsman Tony Hart and John Craven's Newspaper of the Arc.

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12.12 pm Weather.

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12.15 Grandstand: The line-up is:—
12.20 Football Focus; Racing from Newbury at 12.50, 1.20, 1.50 and 2.20; 1.10 and 1.40 International Ski-Jumping (from Cortina); 2.49

and 4.00 International Basketball (Philips World Invitational Club Championships); 3.05 Rugby Leggue, Hull KR v Salford; 3.50 Cricket, Australia v West Indies (the second Test).

5.10 Bugs Bunny: cartoop. How

1.20 pm Film: National Velvet (1944). Hollywood version off Enid Bagnold's book about some

what they usually mean when they talk about a family film.

3.20 Play Away: Comedy and music for young viewers. On the bolsterous side, maybe, but the cast is bursting lits sides to please and frequently does.

3.45 Film: Little Women (1948). Not Cukor's beautifully black and white version with Hepburn as lo, but Mervyn LeRoy's colour version with June Allyson. A tear-jerker,

8.40 am Sesame Street: American instructional series for children. With the Muppets (early version). 9.40 The Beachcombers: Canadian

10.05 Superman: Predictable adventure yarn, told with no imag-

10.30 Tiswas: Hard-working enter-tainment show for children. It has

12.30 pm World of Sport. The line-up is: 12.25 On the Ball (Isn St John reviews the past decade);

John reviews the past decade); 1.00 Dickie Davies's round-up; 1.15 News; 1.20 The ITV Seven. Racing from Newcastle at 1.30, 2.00, 2.30 and 3.00, and from Leicester at 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.10 Stock Car Racing (The Car Colours/ Custom Car. Winternationals from Ips-wich); 3.50 Half-time football

FILMS ON TV

BBC 1

able Dinky.

London Weekend

outdoor adventure.

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BBC 2

5.45 Sport. 5.50 by Who: part 2 of The Horns of Nimon. Tonight, the doctor is in

results; 4.00 Wrestling (from Blackburn); 4.50 Results service.

5.15 Happy Days: comedies set in the 1950s. Today: Potsie Quits

School.

5.45 Chips: an adventure story about the California Highway Patrol.

Patrol.
6.45 Sale of the Century: A breezy
quiz show, with prizes. The compere is Nicholas Parsons, as
polished an MC as you could wish

5.05 News.

16.00 Match of the Day; Action highlights from two of today's First Division games. Also, the goal of the month competition. 11.00 Parkinson: A special edition, devoted to the practice of hypnosism. With Michael Parkinson in the studio are hypnosist Martin St James and journalist Brian Inglis. 12.00 Weather (approximate tim-Regions

9.50 News: with Richard Rabon

BEC 1 VARIATIONS; Wales: 5.45 pm Sparis News, 12.00 News and weather, 5.45 Scottland: 4.55 pm Scottland: 5.45 Scottland: 4.55 pm Scottland: 5.00 Scottland: 5.00 pm Scottland: 1.30 Paristrand: 12.30 am Close down, Northern ipoland: 2.00 pm Scottland: 5.45 Nova, 12.00 News and weather, England: 12.05 em Close down.

12.02 pm Money Box. 12.27 The Burkiss Way.† none the less, with the same musical score that was used in Cukor's film. Also starring Elizabeth Taylor as Anty, Margaret O'Brien as Beth, Janet Leigh as Meg and Feter Lairford as Laurie.

5.45 Cricket: Australia v West Indies. Highlights from the first day's play in the second Test, from Melbourne.

6.15 Der Fledermans, Repeat showing (we saw it first on New Year's Eve, 1977) of the acclaimed production at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden (see Personal Choice).

8.30 News and weather: Sport too.

9.40 Spirit of Asia: David Attenborough's curtain-raiser to the BBC's ambitious series (same name) which begins on January 13.

All about the ancient cultures of south-east Asia that are still alive.

10.00 Our Town: This is an American television production of Thornton Wilder's famous stage 12.55 Weather. Thornton Wilder's famous stage play about the changing fortunes of two families in a New Hampshire town at the turn of the present century. The cast include Ned Beatty, Barbara Bel Geddes, Robby Benson and, in the pivotal role of the Stage Manager, Hal Holbrook. 1.00 News.

11,50 Film: Five Graves to Cairo (1943). Adventure drama about the North African campaign against Rommel in the Second World War. Erich von Stroheim is the definitive Rommel. Also in the cast: Franchot Tone, Anne Baxter, and Akim Tamiroff. The director is Billy Wilder 1.25 am, Music at Night: The fourth movement—the March of the Three Wise Men—from Lisz's piano suite, The Christmas Tree It

Holbrook (the Stage Manager in Our Town on BbC 2 at 10.00 tonight) is the husband. 9.45 News and sport.

10.00 Gloo-Joo: Michael Hastings's stage comedy—a big success in London recently—about an illegal immigrant in Britain [Oscar James. in his original stage role) faced with the threat of being sent back to his native Jamaica. 11.45 The Ryder Cup 1979: Some of the best moments from last Sep-tember's Ryder Cup matches played in West Virginia. Many

for.
7.15 Search for a Star another round of this talent contest. The artistes include a trio of singers, a solo comedian, a comedy duo and a solo singer.
8.00 Film: Murder by Natural Causes: (1978). Movie, made for television, about a woman (Katharine Ross) who piots her husband's murder. There is one difficulty—he is a mind-reader. Hal famous golfing stars will be on view—Trevino, Irwin, Ballesteros, Jacklin, among them. 12.45 am Christmas Pie: School. children put their feelings about Christmas into words. The programme is called Happiness Rules—OK, which neatly summarizes the whole thing.

by David Robinson

With two dozen films between the three channels, it's another week for careful picking and choosing. Top of the recommendations are two Billy Wilder films: monight (BBC 2, 11.50) Five Graves to Cairo, with Erich von Strobelm as Rommel in a taut and gripping desert war drama; and on Monday (BBC 2, 10.40) Semset Boulevard. Hammerstein with guest again with Strobelm, as the feithful retainer and friend of Gloria Swansou's old silent star, crazed but still magnificent. It is a Strobelm week: he appears again, in one of his fluest later roles, in Jean Renoft's great ami-war classic La Grande Illusion (New Year's Day, BBC 2, 11.10), in which he plays an aristocratic officer of the old school put in charge of a prison camp and disillusioned by the new styles of War.

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Meet Me in St Louis (Monday
BBC 1, 2.65) is still the most

"Wanderin' Star".
The children are well provided
For. Today there is a double bill of
National Velvet (BBC 2, 1.20).
Made in 1944 and the start of
Elizabeth Taylor's career; and
Little Women (BBC 2, 3.45), a
rheumy-eyed remake, not a patch
on Cukor's 1933 original but again Look out too for Nicholas Rocg's mystificatory chiller. Don't Look Now (tomorrow, BBC 2, 10.50).

Radio 4 6.25 am Shipping Forecast. 6.30 News. 6.32 Farming Today. 6.50 Yours faithfully, 7.00 News. 7.10 On Your Farm. 7.40 Today's Papers. .45 Yours Falthfully. 7.50 It's a Bargain. 8.00 News. 8.10 Sport on 4. 8.40 Today's Papers. 8.45 Talk: Cost of True Love. 8.55 Party (liberal). 9.00 News. Political

RADIO

David Daker and Patrick Troughton (Radio 4, 8.30)

9.05 Record Review.+ 10.15 Record: Schoenberg (Gurre-lieder pt 1-Ozawa).† 11.15 Bandstand. 11.45 Diversions on record. 1.00 pm News. 1.05 Plano (Schoenberg.† (Brendel):

7.30 Berlin PO/Karalan: Bach.

2.00 News.
2.05 Wildlife: listeners' questions. 2.40 Play: The Great Balloon Debate, by Alick Rowe.; . . 2.00 Interval reading. 2.10 Brendel : Busoni, Brahms.† 3.30 Does He Take Sugar ? 3.00 Trio sonatas: Handel.† 3.00 Trio sonatas: Handel.T

3.30 Beethoven (Mass in D. With Radio 2, 1.00 pm
5.00 Jazz records.†

5.45 Critics' Porum.

6.45 Piano duo: Clementi, Britten,

World Service 4.02 Have You Seen the Dragon ?† 4.40 A Passage to India, 1779. 5.25 Aspects of the Fringe (variety from Edinburgh).†..
5.55 Weather.

7.30 Berlin PO/Karajan: Bach, Berg 13 Pieces op 6).†
8.05 Poetry by Paul Hyland.†
8.30 Berlin PO: Dvorak (Sym 8).†
9.15 He Never Went to China: portrait of Arthur Waley.
10.15 Songs (Shirley-Quirk/Ashkenazy): Schubert.†
10.50 Chamber music: Shostakovich (incl Puo Quint-Woodward).† 6.15 Desert Island Discs. 6.55 With Great Pleasure.† 7.35 Baker's Dozen.† 8.30 Play: Wilaya 7, by John Kirk-10.00 News.
10.15 Kaleidoscope Quiz.
11.00 Lighten Our Darkness.
11.15 Philip Jones
Ensemble.†. 10.50 Chamber music: Subsided-vich (incl Puo Quint—Wood-ward).† 11.55 News. 12.00-2.00 am Cricket: Australia v 11.45 Play: A Fairy Tale for Freudians.† 12.00 News, 12.15-12.23 am Weather. West Indies.

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5.00 am News, weather, 5.03 Paddy
O'Byrne,† 8.07 David Jacobs,†
10.02 Kevin Morrison,† 12.02 pm
Roy Hudd.† 1.02 Stop the World,
1.30-6.00 Sport on 2. Football
Special; Racing (Newbury); Test
Cricket; Rugby Union; Sports
Report, 6.03 Hits of Europe 79.
7.02 Beat the Record, 7.30 The
Year's Top Tunes,† 8.30 Semprini
Serenade,† 9.30 Big and Special,†
10.02 Hilversum Greets Radio 2.
11.02 Sports Desk, 11.10 Ray
Moore, 2.03-6.00 am You and the
Night and the Music.† 6.55 am Regional news, weather. 7.55 Regional news, weather. Radio 3 6.00 am Cricket: Australia v West

7.05 Records: Suppe, Johann and Josef Strauss, Hummel, Lebar, Komzak.†
7.55 Weather. 8.00 News. 8.05 Records: Herold, Satie, Horo-vitz, Villa-Lobos, Khachaturian.

Radio 1 5.00 am As Radio 2. 7.00 News. 7.03 Playground, 8.00 Ed Stewart. 10.00 Tony Blackburn, 1.00 pm Adrian Juste.; 2,00 USA Top 30 of 1979.† 4.00 Rock On.† 5.30 It's Rock 'n' Roll.+ 6.31 In Concert.+ 7.30 Peter Powell. 10.00 Al Matthews, 12,00-6,00 am As Radio

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PERSONAL CHOICE

Sunday's programmes

TELEVISION TELEVISION



Lloyd as Shaw's Saint Joan (BBC 1, 7.55)

dresses up and pretends to be somebody else in ilm about the life and works of the Victorian painter BC 2, 9.50). Here and there, a camera shot of a house, a river, a loch, and then a statement by Professor ell or art historian Malcolm Warner, or Millais's
Otherwise, this is Millais, Millais all the way, painting
painting, and with Anna Massey's calm and precise
telling us no more than we need to know fully to telling us no more than we need to know fully to
the coloured wonders on show. Anita Sterner wrote
ed the film, and I congratulate her on settling for a
bright that has been hallowed by time. I also
the whoever it was (producer Kenneth Corden
who chose the music. It grows organically out of
ames instead of merely festooping it like so much
holly.

among those who protested that, had Arthur adaptation of Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy been in one big slice instead of seven small ones, the in one oig suce instead of seven small ones, the ms of the plot might have been easier to follow. Never for thought been more urgently needed. Two chunks ght, I think, and that is what we will get—part one C i, 2.40), part 2 on Tuesday. We must now, all of us, termined effort to try to understand the process by rge Smiley (Alec Guinness, under playing every tactically to the point of its extinction) comes to put on the mole who is burrowing away beneath the is of the British secret service.

is of the British secret service.

If a too much good viewing in prospect today.

It, the new production of Bernard Shaw's Saint Joan

Sold does not clash with that superior horror story

Now (BBC 2, 10.50), but it does make it impossible

see more than 40 minutes of Bridge on the River Kwai

15) and you will miss the whole of the Millais film, not

1 an hour or so of Giselle (ITV 9.45), with Nurevey,

1 and Mason, ITV has made things warse by notting out nd Mason. ITV has made things worse by putting out ive production of Novello's The Dancing Years at a same time (3.15) as the mole hunt on BBC I. are not even mentioned the choice ou radio, which cethoven's Ninth conducted by Bernstein (Radio 3, celebratory feature about Wynford Vanshan-Thomas, it 70 (Radio 4, 6.15) and the At Home with Hermione Radio 4, 11.15am). How is any discerning histener or sposed to cope with it all?

Business: A review of 1979 by weather forecasters Michael Fish, 9.05 am Ragtime: fun with cloth Bill Giles and Jim Bacon.

1.45 News headlines. 1.50 The World About Us: Feature 9.20 The Sunday Gang: religious entertainment. Includes the story of the Good Santaritan. about underground animals, in-cluding false scorpions, "water bears", that are essential to us 9.40 Dinky Dog: cartoon. Abomin-

(r).
2.40 Tinket, Tailor, Soldier, Spy:
the celebrated thriller, by John Le
Carré, now made up into two generous parts (part 2 on Tuesday).
See Personal Choice.
5.00 Emu's Broadcasting Company
(EBC1): Includes a one-minute 9.50 Playhouse: Francesca Zeissl's story Princess Griselda's Birthday Glft (r). 10.20 What-a-Mess: Frank Muir tells his own story about his pet

10.25 Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan : songs by Indian couple Jagit Singh and Chitra Singh 10.55 Edinburgh Military Tattoo, 1979: Highlights from the big show, including the Royal Navy display team.

12.10 pm. A Church to Yourself: New series. Today we visit St Peter's Parish Church in Brighton. Another new series. An interview with Dr Michael Ramsey, former Archibishop of Canterbury.

12.55 Farming: the farmer's mag-

azine. 1.20 There's no Business like Snow

BBC 2 2.25 pm Coppelia: Puppet version of the ballet, with music by Delibes (first seen in BBCI's school

2.40 Film: The Yearling (1945). Handsome-looking screen version of Marjorie Kinnan Rawling's moving book about the attachme a farmer's young son (Claude Jarman inc) forms to a stray fawn. Gregory Peck and Jane play the boy's parents. The drama-tic highlight is a bear hunt.
4.55 Ski Sunday: The first event in the Four Hills Tournament from Obsterday, West Germany—ski

London Weekend 9.05 Helping Hand: A programme specially for the disabled. 9.30 Play Guitar 11; Ulf Goran Is the tutor and his lessons are for both beginner and the more experi-

10.00 Morning Worship: from St Mary's in Banham, south Norfolk. 11.00 Getting On: programme of special interest to those who are no longer young. 11.30 Puff the Magic Dragon: Animated feature based on Peter Yarrow's popular song.

12.00 Tarsan: The Voice of the Elephant. Jungle adventure with Ron Ely (r). 1.00 pm Police 5: Scotland Yard wants your assistance. 1.15 Babylon: Where are the blacks melling their polit-

1.45 University Challenge: fast-moving quiz between undergrad-2.15 The Big Match: Action from three of yesterday's football three o

3.15 The Dancing Years: Ivor

Novello's deservedly popular musi-cal play about the penniless com-poser who falls in love with a Vienese operatia star and the

ing. 6.40 Cricket: Australia v West In-

dies, Second day's play in the second test. From Melbourne. 7.10 News and weather, 7.15 Film: Bridge on the River Kwat (1957). David Lean's memor-

able film about Japan's infamons
"death railway" and the prisoners of war who had to work on
it. William Holden, Alec Guiness,
Jack Hawkins and Sessue Hayak-

awa head a fine cast.



Anthony Valentine (ITV, 3.15)

With Arthur Lowe and Welsh singer Iris Williams. 7.55 Saint Joan : Shaw's great play, with Gabrielle Lloyd as the Maid. A distinguished cast includes Richard Pearson, Bernard Lee, Bruce Purchase, Peter Benson, Jeremy Kemp, Norman Rodway, Stephen Murray and Roland Culver. A break for the weather forecast at 9.25.

10.50 The Last Right: This Every-man film poses the question. Is a man paralysed from the neck down entitled to end his own life? In-cludes an interview with actor Tom Count who played such a victim in Whose Life is It, Anyway? was played such a victim in Whose Life is it, Anyway?

11.25 The Man with actor Tom Whose Life is it, Anyway?

11.25 The Man with No Name: repeat showing of the profile of actor Clint Eastwood, possibly the least expressive of all Hollywood stars—but also one of the most successful.

12.25 am Weather.

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13.26 All Songs of Praises 4-14 Church

BBC 1 VARIATIONS: Wates: 12.25 am News and weather. Scotland: 12.10 pm Mass on the Feast of the Holy Family. 12.55 Landward. 12.25 am News and weather. Northern Ireland: 12.25 am News and weather. England: 12.30 am Cors. law Church, Ruthergien.
7.15 The Leanie and Jerry Show:
comedy-and-song programme with
Lennie Bennett and Jerry Stevens.

9.50 John Everett Millais : documentary about the Victorian artist, Anna Massey is the narrator. A vast number of his paintings are

5.20 Rugby Special: A round-up of the memorable moments of 1979, With contributions from Rugby enthusiasts such as Sir Geraint Evans, Spike Milligan, and M Chaban-Delmas, former prime minister of France. seen and discussed by art experts (see Personal Choice). 10.50 Film: Don't Look Now 6.10 News Review; with visual commentary for the hard of hear-10.50 Film: Don't Look Now (1973). Bizarre thriller about the strange things that happen to a married couple (Julie Christie and Donald Sutherland) who go to Venice after their daughter's drowning. It is based on a Daphne du Maurier story and is directed, with a fine eye for the shocking, by Nicolas Roeg.

12.35 am Music at Night: The lifth movement of Liste's plano suite The Christmas Tree, played by Rhondda Gillespie, Closedown at

young girl who loves the com-poser. With Anthony Valentine (as Rudi), Celia Gregory (as Maria Zeigler, though the singing voice is Marilyn Hill Smith's) and Susan Skipper (as Grete).

6.15 A Winchester Christmas: Songs and readings from Winches-ter Cathedral. 7.15 The Glums: The old radio series given a new lease of life. scries given a new lease of life.

7.45 Film: The Night They Took
Miss Beautiful: A thriller, made
for TV, about the hijacking by
terrorists of five heauty queens.
With Chuck Connors. Stella
Stevens and Phil Silvers (Sergeant
Bilko).

9.45 Giselle: The ghost story ballet, danced by Nureyev, Seymour, Mason and members of the Ballet of the Bavarian State Opera House. 11.15 The Recorded Jasper Carrott-Repeat showing of the comedian's concert recorded at the Theatre Royal Drury Lane last February. 12.15 am Christmas Pie: The story of a greedy boy. The title, Whar's Better than Getting? implicity embodies the theme of this pro-

RADIO

Radio 4 6.25 am Shipping forecast. 6.30 Morning Has Broken. 7.15 Apna Hi Ghar Samajbiye.

8.00 News. 8.15 Sunday 8.50 Week's Good Cause. 9.00 News.

Ulster

9.10 Sunday Papers. 9.15 Letter from America. 9.30 Morning Service. 10.15 The Archers. 11.15 At Home with Hermione Gingold. 12.00 A Touch of Genlus.

12.30 pm The Food Programme. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World This Weekend. .40 Feedback. 1.00 News. 1.05 Gardeners' Question Time. 1.30 Play: The Soft September Air, by Charlotte Hastings.

oy Charlotte Hastings.
4.00 News.
4.02 Talking about Antiques.
4.30 The Living World.
5.00 James Cameron's Decade.
5.15 Down Your Way. 5.55 Weather.

6.00 News 6.15 Wyoford Vaughan-Thomas at 7.30 Bookshelf. 7.30 Origins. . 8.00 In Praise of God.†

0.00 News. 0.03 The Story of a Penny Suit, by Ken Whitmore.t 10.00 News. 10.15 A Word in Edgeways. 11.00 Before the Ending of the Day.†
11.15 Moonshine on Dogs.†

12.00 News. 12.15-12.23 am Weather. VHP 2.00-6.00 pm Study on 4: Kein Pro-blem; Sur le vif; Por aqui; Let's Go Into Practice (5); Meditation (4); Principles of Connselling (5); Helping with Health (5); World Powers in the 20th Century.

Scottish

Grampian

As London except: Starts 9.30 am Babylon, 10.15 Seachd Leithean. 10.30 Story of Wine. 11.30 Yogi Bear. 1.00 pen unvessity Challenge. 1.30 Farming Review. 2.00 Life Goes to the Worles. 4.30 Scotlport Review, 12.15 am Ref-

Radio 3 6.00 am Cricket: Australia v West Judies. 7.05 Records: Elgar (Starlight

Express Excerpts 1.†
7.55 Weather. 8.00 News. 5.05 Records: Mendelssohn.† 9.00 News.
9.05 Records: Lully, Moscheles, Lvadov, Giuliani, Charpentier.†
10.30 Music Weekly.†
11.20 Berlin PO/Karajan, Straviasky (Apollol.†
11.50 Interval reading,
11.55 Berlin PO; Tchaikovsky (Svm 6).†
12.50 pm Cornen and violin: Cima, Salaverde Forcana Rac

12.50 pm Cornett and violin: Cima. Salaverde, Fontana. Bas-sano, Merula, Cesare, Fresco-1.25 A Plain Man's Guide to Indian Music.† 2.00 Guitar (Bream): Weiss, Bach, Scarle, Falla, Arnold.† 3.00 ECO/Zukerman: Mozart (incl

3.00 ECO/Disterman : Mozart (Incl arias—J. Baker).† 3.25 Interval reading. 3.45 ECO: Mozart (K320).† 4.30 Talk (Lucie-Smith): Paul Klee. 5.15 Voices (BBC Singers) and brass (P. Jones Ens): Poulenc, Bourgeois.† 6.00 One Pair of Ears: review. 6.15 Voices and brass: Aston, Gib-

bons, J. Jenkins, Elgar, Tippett, Farnaby.†
7.15 Play: The Last Ride of Walter Enderby, Motorist and Amorist, by Don Haworth.†
9.00 Vienna PO/Berustein: Beethoven (Sym 9).†
10.20 Interpretations on Record;
Chopin (Son in B Flat min).†
11.10 String quarter: Dvorak (op 106).† 11.55 News. 12.00-2.00 am Cricket : Australia v

West Indies. Radio 2 6.00 am News, weather, 6.03 Sam on Sunday.† 7.30 Nick Page.† 8.04 David Jacobs.† 10.02 Benny

Green.† 11.30 People's Service.
11.55 The Choice is Yours. 12.02
pm Family Favourites.† 1.30 Listen
to Les.† 2.02 Aian Dell.† 3.02 Peter
Clayton.† 4.02 The Best of Two's
Best.† 5.02 Sing Samething Simple.
5.30 Charlie Chester. 7.02 Treble
Chance. 7.30 Glamorous Nights.
8.30 Sunday Half-Hour. 9.02 Your
100 Best Tunes. 10.02 News Huddlines. 11.05 Ray Moore. 2.03-5.00
am You and the Night and the
Music.†

Radio 1

6.00 am As Radio 2. 8.00 Ed Stewart. 10.00 Noel Edmonds. 1.00 pm Jimmy Savile. 3.00 Anne Nightingale. 5.00 Top 40.† 7.02 Star Special.† 9.00 Alexis Korner.† 10.02 Sounds of Jazz.† 12.00-5.00 am As Radio 2.

VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 6.00 am With Radio 2, 5.00 pm With Radio 1, 12.00-5.00 am With Radio 2.

World Service

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REGIONAL TV Granada

As London except. Starts 9.00 am Se-same Street. 11.00 Helping Hand. 11.30 Cabbases and Kings. 12.00 1972 Human Riphts Day Concert. 1.00 my University 1.45 Puff. Challester. 1.30 Cartons Film: Sheriock Hollings. New York: Bloom Moore, John Huston. Patrick Martney. 12.15 am Weather. HTY CYMRU/WALES: As General Ser-vice except: 6.00 pm News, followed by Report Wales. A: London evcept: Starta 9.30 am Rabylon 11.00 Play Gultar 11.25 Sur-vival. 12.00 Space 1779, 12.45 pm Wambling Free. 2.15 Kick-off Match. 7.45 Tim: Sherback Hobnes in New York (Rouer Moore, John Huston, Patrick Macney, 12.15 am Police Sur-Tyne Tees As London except: Starts 9.00 am Reason Way. 9.30 Babylon. 11.30 Melong Hand. 12.00 Animated Classics. Do pm Film: The Train Burt Lancaster, Paul Scopeld: 2.00 Carloon. 21.5 Shoot: 12.15 am Barney Miller, 12.40 Epilogue. Southern As Landon except: Starts 2.45 am Com-munion.
11.30 Farm Progress. 12.30 pm News. 12.35 Cartoon. 12.45 Wombing Free 12.35 Cartoon. 12.45 Wombing Free 12.15 am Westher. followed by What a Way to Spend Christmas.

Anglia As London except: 9.30 am Rabyton. 11.30 Call it Mataront. 12.00 Film: Genevaeve John Gregson, Dianh Sher-idan, Kenneth More, Kay Kendali. 7.35 pm Farming Diary Special. 2.05 Natth of the Week. 2.05 Cartoon, 12.15 am Carol for Christmas Time. As London except: Starts 9.30 am Play Cuttar. 10.00 Sesame Street. 11.30 Helping Hand. 12.00 Survival Special. 1.00 gm Seached Lattheway 10.00 Larry the Lamb. 2.15 Ryder Cup. 79. 3.15 Gien bilchael Cavalcade. 4.00 Happy Days. 4.30 Scots sport, 12.15 am Late Call.

Yorkshire London except: Strats 9.00 am wom. 9.25 Holping Hand. 9.55 Un-504 Adochtured of Captaln Normo. OF Pay Guitar. 11.30 Farming 15. 12.00 Film: Go West Young 1. 12.00 pm Emmedole Farm. 2.15 half Special. 12.15 am Firo

Westward As London except: 9.30 am Getting On. 17.00 Play Guitar. 11.30 Helbing Mand. 12.00 Human Rights Day Concert. 1.00 Cartoon Inne. 1.20 Rocket Robin Hood. 1.45 Farm and Country. 12.15 am Faith for Life. 12.20 Weather. Border

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Ulster As London except: 11.30 am Helping Hand: 12.00 Bygones: 12.30 am Un-tamed World: 1.00 Cartoon Time L.15 Sam: 8.00 News: 11.10 Sports

As London except: Slaris 2.13 pm Weather, 12.15 am Epilogue.

Channel

Inflationary times

a dazzing the achievement, a dazzing the achievement and a dazzing the achievement a dazzing the achievemen subsidy tends to remain constant, if not actually decline, prices of course spiral, while, quite often, box-office incomafalls as people find themselves with less spare cash to spend on leisure activities, such as theatre-going. Two of New York's major institutional theatres have been largely belping themselves with the proceeds of Broadway hits.

A Chorus Line has proved a lifeline to the New York Shakespeare festival, and the Manhattan Theatre Club would not be behaving nearly so wellwere it not for its modest profits from the Fats Waller musical Ain't Mishehavin'. The protits from these shows will not on for ever, and are, frankly, unlikely to be rep-

Arts organizations all over the city are feeling the economic pinch, but are still struggling on. Interestingly we are seeing new attempts to provide New York with classic repertory companies. Such longestablished ventures as the Roundabout Theatre, the CRC and the Jean Cocteau Repertory Company have been joined by Michael Moriarty's new Potter's Field Company.

Even more ambitious is David Jones's new repertory company at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, which has recently announced its first tive-play season next week. And there is always the prospect—less likely for this sea-son than next—of Lincoln Center's Vivian Beaumont Theatre moving out of the drashadows that bave embraced it for four long sea-

Circle Repertory 10 years now, and given New York a great number of fine new American plays, many of them by its resident play-wright, Lanford Wilson. But. hitherto, in the classic area it has moved less sure-footedly. With its current ventures of offering Hamlet and Schiller's Mary Stuart in revolvler's Mary Stuart in revolv-ong repertory, the company, Danish court. Yet the battle-with one stroke, rushed ment scenes, with a most

saw a similarity in theme and treatment between the two. Not really—Hamlet is the apo-gee of the Elizabethan revenge tragedy, while Schiller's Mary Stuart is a historical romance.

However both plays are set in a court, both plays have political intrigue as a motivating sub-text, and the Circle Repertory has taken the opportunity to use the same serving for both and indeed setting for both, and, indeed, in some cases, the same costumes. But this is a concept-it is thrift prompted by art rather than the customary reverse. Mr Mason wanted us to compare and contrast these two plays.

In fact, we don't-which is inst as well. Peter Brook once said the wisest thing anyone has ever told me about Shakespeare: "Our mistake is to imagine that Shakespeare is better than other playwrights. Nonsense, he is in creative world above the est." And Schiller for all his finely wrought dramatics does come off a poor second best in the comparison. As a play, that is, although not necessarily as a producton.

The Hamlet is defiantly lowkeyed. It is a chamber Hamlet. Voices are rarely raised, and sometimes the actors speak in mere trenchant whispers. Mason's direction, refreshingly, concentrates on meaning, and verbal suppleness, rather than and high-scaled his-

The concept begins with William Hurt's marvellously sar-donic Hamlet, a thoughtful and brilliant performance. Unu-sually he wears a beard-the first bearded Hamlet in my experience since Alec Guinness more than 20 years ago, even though the text justifies a beard—and somehow this somewhat intellectual literalness informs his performance. He, and Mason, are obsessed, Company has been around for happily so, with meanings, 10 years now, and given New with nuances of thought and emotion. Mr Hurt works his way through the poetry with subtlety, he never declaims, and he lets the sense rather than the words take the

rhythm. Inspired, in part, by his small stage, Mr Mason has con-

scene—the redoubtable B.H. Barry was the fight director is the most sensational I have for the front row of the audience. The intimacy of the staging is stressed, wrongly i think, by having actors directly

and perfectly in tune, as is the tragedy-bent few Ophelia of Lindsay Crouse, both exqui-sitely tinted performances. Yet the conventional bluster of Douglass Watson as Claudius. admirable in its way, and the blundering, quite unadmirable in any way, of Burke Pearson's Polonius, almost ran against the production.

No matter, the concept was

all, and Mr Hurt's Hamlet is a ! marker-stone in the career of a young man destined to be a great actor. The Mary: was much less interesting, but in its overall effect even better. Again the play is dominated by one performance. Here it is Tanya Berezin as Elizabeth. Here are the cold, inner fires of Eliz-abeth's soul raked over with a abeth's soul raked over with a wildly histrionic relish. Miss Berezin captures Elizabeth complete. In contrast Stephanie Gordon's beautifully controlled Mary seemed to have a touch of sentimentality to it, but in part this was Schiller's fault. It is equally Schiller's fault when, in his celebrated bending of historic fact he has Mary and Elizabeth actually meet face to face. actually meet face to face, Elizabeth comes out with all the good lines and all the good

Mr Mason, using the same space and the same setting, has caught the play's proper sense of ceremonial. It is an implacable ritual of power and death, with none of the nervy possibilities available in Hamlet. There were some telling performance have nearly formance by formances here—notably from Michael Ayr as Mortimer, and Timothy Shelton, a rather un-interesting Horario, making a steely-eyed yet unctuous Leicester. Praise is also due for New York

attitudes.

Burlington Bertie from **Baltimore**

Throughout the English-speaking world the prospects for the
a singularly fine achievement, ly done, and the final fight
of Ella Shields, whose
mostitutional theatre are a dazzling theatrical double scene—the redoubtable—B.H. Eurlington Bertie from Bow belongs in the pantheon of the British Music Hall Curiously ever seen. I hope they have for the creator of a character understudies, including a few so indigenous to London, she was American, born in Baltimore on September 26, 1879. At 20, after a year on the legitimate stage, she launched single out and address herself as a coon singer and members of the audience. Yet | ballad vocalist : she was already members of the audience. Yet build votalist sie was alleady it is not an intimacy a star attraction at Hammer-apparently understood by the stein's Victoria, New York, entire cast. Beatrice Straight's when she was engaged as Gertrude is softly modulated principal girl in the 1904-05 and perfectly in tune as is the pantomime at the Mile End tragedy-bent few Ophelia of Pavilion. She arrived in this country ahead of time, to make her first British appearance at the Empire, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and a triumpham London debut at the Foresters' Music Hall, billed as "THE Coon Singer".

She stayed on in Britain, was a pantomime favourite with Edwardian audiences and then in 1910 decided to change her act to male impersonation. Her success was overwhelming and she was instantly engaged for the spectacular opening bill at the new London Palladium, on Boxing Day, 1910. In 1915 "Burlington Bertie from Bow "—originally prime by her bayes and William

written by her husband William Hargreaves for the comic singer J. W. Rickaby, who turned it down—put the seal upon her success. It is hard today for us to appreciate the intense excite-ment audiences found in the

There were three of them. Vesta Tilley (1864-1953) was the earliest. Hetty King (1883-1972), whose active stage career uniquely spanned ten decades, first donned men's attire in 1905. There was a piquant, risqué element about the mere appearance of a pretty girl in trousers, of course; but beyond that was the wit and subtlety of their observation of the opposite sex. They showed the fashionable man-about town how to go on, and how to dress: when Vesta Tilley appeared in the United States, the press dis-cussed her latest styles with the same interest as they might discuss a new couture collection.

The three artists felt a keen sense of rivalry. It was perhaps understandable in Vesta Tilley, cester. Fraise is also due for a understandable in Vesta Tilley, the ser by David Jenkins, the construmes by Laura Crow and the lighting by Dennis Parichy. But most of all praise is due to the company for giving us two memorable nights of ensemble playing, and some of the most the most in the horizon. Hetty King found lack of collaboration, if not downright hostility, in those playing, and some of the most theatres under the control of stimulating acting currently in Tilley's husband, Walter de Frece.



On one unhappy occasion a the rime of her death at the misguided impresario thought it age of 89—was irresistibly vital would be a novelty to put Herry and exuberant, with an impecwould be a novelty to put Herry King and Ella Shields on the same bill at a Brighton music hall. Miss King graciously invired Miss Shields to call on her in her dressing room. Miss Shields's reply was curt; and an icy chill pervaded the theatre for the rest of the week. No one tried the experi-

The rivalry was needless, be-cause each in her way was dif-ferent and distinct from the others. Vesta Tilley, not a strong vocalist, was dazzling for tumes and (by report) her With my gloves on my hand-mime. Hetty King—who con-tinued to perform right up to

ment again.

able sense of character, expressed in the most subtle and precise gesture.

Ella Shields's characters the contrary tended to have a strange, slightly sinister air about them. Vesta Tilley's original Burlington Bertie was a genuine toff, "with a Hyde Park drawl and a Bond Street crawl". Ella Shields's Bertie, however, came from Bow-a pathetic East End fake with a dickey and no shirt, who slept on a park bench, "with The on a park bench, 'News for a blanket'.

" I walk down the Strand

I'm all airs and graces, So long without food. I've forgot where my face

An even more bizarre charac-terization was the wily half-wir in 'I'm Nor all There's exploiting people's sympathy to include his cupidity and lechery. She could however be ebullient too, and one of her biggest successes was "If You Knew Susie".

On stage she was economical On stage she was economical of movement. Her technique was in lean on her walking stick, centre stage, and fix the audience with the brilliant cyes in the round boyish face and with the loosky voice with its odd burr and inflections: "I'm B'rrr-p'raps you've hard 'f mi." B'rrrt-you've had w'rrrd 'f mi." An Irish actor who saw her at the Gaiety. Dublin. saw her at the Gaiety, Dublin, said ir was the only time he had been aware of an artist in temple...

remple.

Around 1930 Elia Shields returned to America. When she reappeared in England in 1948 it was rumoured that things had not gone well with her the past few years, and that her majestic bearing reflected Bertie's own efforts to conceil his misfortunes. Once a star, always a efforts to conceal his misfortunes. Once a star, always a
star: she renewed her old
triumphs in Don Ross's.

"Thanks for the Memory!"
company, alongside other
variety veterans and was in
the 1948 Royal Variety Shew.

Her death was as dramatic
as any old trouper could hope
for. On August 3, 1952, she
appeared in a Sunday night
concert at a Morecambe licitiday
camp before an audience of
3,000. (The Sunday Observance
regulations then in force required that she perform the act
in skirts.) She had seemed tired
before the show; but went on before the skow; but went on to sing "Susie", "Sweet Adeline" and "Down Yonder" in fine voice.

Her cue for the inevitable final number should have been "I'm Bert!" The conductor was alarmed when she announced instead. "Yes, I was Burlington Bertie". She gave him a reassuring smile however, and went into her song. Only her friends could see that something was wrong She finished the final coprus, proudly took her bows, land collapsed only as

strings. That gave me an idea

lyrical structured in alternat-

ing blocks, not developing steadily, indeed hardly at all.

eventually I couldn't conduct

(I fell ill and had to come

home). But I learned that

Elgar decided against a de-

velopment of the first movement. He laid the material out,

then he laid it our again, more

deliberately. It works because

the material is so lypical; Beethoven had accepted some-

David Robinson

stagers

when everyone expects to do what they have done before: to honour the same customs, eat the same sort of food, hear the same tunes, feel the same emotions. So if there was what seemed to be a very tidy number of repeats this year on BBC radio, it may have been entirely appropriate to the season. Besides, in a number of instances at last, nobody could possibly have objected to the offer of another change to listen. Trever, Hill's producthe offer of another chance to listen: Trevor Hill's production of Frances Hodgson Burnett's The Secret Garden is a case in point; so is Brian Sibley's and Yet Another Partridge in a Pear Tree which seems likely to become a minor Christmas classic. minor Christmas classic. Some things sounded like old stagers even if they were

not: The ITMA File (producer Alan Haydock) had, as it were, been stripped of its gift wrapping by being published very near complete in the previous week's Listener; it was moreover a programme week's Listener; it was moreover a programme devoted to what by now has the status of a great tribal memory which at once puts it in the class of those we have loved and wish to go or loving. To add to that, programmes by the BBC about the BBC tend the BBC about the BBC tend to confirm what we already know: they fill in further details of a picture we have looked at many times before. Consider the Corporation's relationship with some of its more distinguished contributors (Max Beerbohm, Dorothy Sayers) or even with its own Features Department and it is at once apparent that what Cordon Snell had to tell us about That Man and his employers was in the same familiar traditions. What The ITMA File added to our understanding of it, was a clearer standing of it, was a clearer view of some of the elements nvolved. ITMA was a national institu-

tion on an enormous scale. Rarely, if ever, can any group of programme makers have received such massive assurance from their audience that they were providing exactly what was required. Already by 1941, so we were add Andiones Research was told. Andience Research was able to report: "For the listener, and there were very few critics, ITMA has all the virthes. of the perfect variety show. It is, of course, not the place of audience researchers to display enthusiasm, but do you not detect in that small utterance something just a little dismost in 2. tie d'impening?
For the listener it may have
been perfect but Mr
sinell's programme spent much

of its time expanding on that but," evoking by way of decrees from the Controller of Programmes, his Assistant and the Security, and Policy Censors an artifude to ITMA's success as a region of the security cess somewhat at variance with that of its performers and audience. In opposition to the latter which you might call the response Dionysiac, could be which I've employed in the slow movement. Its melody is detected the response slow movement. Its melody is played by all three soldists—for once they all are playing the same theme, and together. The cello is two octaves above the viole, and the violin an octave above the cello; but at a certain point in that long cantilens the cello drops suddenly to the lowest point of the tertains. about innuendo—or worse still the lack of it, concerned always to effend as few people as possible and to that end drawing up lists of "certain subjects," which might not be made into jokes and certain others which might not be the subject of suggestive reference. I suppose it must have been as the texture, creating an imme-diate change, inherent in the fact of their playing together. an expression of the response Corporate at its worst that, Corporate at its worst that, when announcing Handley's death, the BBC managed to refer to him as "Mr Thomas Handley", a person quite unknown to the public at large. Of course all this was back in the distant Forties, and yet essentially—as anybody who " It's a 30-minute piece, very About two years ago I had to learn Elgar's Violin Concerto for a concert in Dallas which essentially—as anybody who contributes to it knows or quickly finds out—it also describes the BBC in one of its centemporary aspects. Given the nature of the Corporation and the many often conflicting roles it has to play (journalist, dramatist, entertainer, educator...) it will undoubtedly continue to serve as a description for as long the organization exists.

tion for as long the organiza-tion exists.

All acrour to LBC for devis-ing their Tower of London competition for schools of which the winners were announced just before Christmas. I think it was particularly well-conceived because the entrants were faced with the very taxing and highly appropriate task of making a 10-minute sound programme (on some aspect of the Tower). There were attractive prizes and the response is said many ways so were the win-ning entries: Dulwich Hamlet Junior School offered Sounds of the Tower in the under 11 category, Westlands High School of Sittingbourne won, the 11-14s with The Tripl and hey're a long way beautiful polyphony, strange."

School of Sittingbourne won the 11-14s with The Trial and Siring choral and orwork, filling a whole and already commiss, I will involve four asts. Tippett as usual, no write his own text il deal with the birth mold, then Man and hin History More he yet know, except than not be calculated music. Tippett's out the whole world He think, to compose; like Mahler's second for the 1980s, but lish musical language. Essively English: Tip a world citizen; heases him more than work of his captures manion of people in her country. Yet heemstrely an individual, hr say an exceptable elsewhere ain.

William Maint

Business Woman of The Year 1979. The Times Veuve Clicquot Award.

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To Ann Burdus, Chairman of The McCann and Company Group, we extend our warmest congratulations.

She is the winner of the 1979 Times Veuve Clicquot Award.

The lady, who in the eyes of our judges, most clearly embodies the spirit of Veuve
Clicquot herself—Madame Clicquot, an enterprising young widow who flouted the prejudices
and constraints of the nineteenth century and founded one of the Great Champagne Houses of France.

With nominations from the broadest spectrum of commerce and industry, selection is never easy. And this year's finalists all held professional and personal qualifications of an extremely high order indeed. They were:-Anne Miles, Managing Director of Warwick Records-Stephanie Shirley, Chairman and Founder Director of F International-Carmen Callil, Chairman and Managing Director of Virago-Dame Margaret Weston, the Director of the Science Museum.

But after due deliberation our panel decided that Ann Burdus was to be the 1979 Business Woman of the Year

And looking at her achievements it's not hard to see why.

Ann received her grounding in research and advertising at Mather and Crowther and then progressed quickly to Research Director at Garland Compton.

It was in 1971 that she took up the same

position at McCann-Erickson.

The next seven years saw one success after

She was one of the team that can rightly claim responsibility for the company's rapid growth between 1971-78 and feels that during this period her major contribution was to the development and scrutiny of advertising

In 1975 she became Vice-Chairman and was involved in the agency's division into three separate companies.

And before her appointment to Chairman in 1977 Ann worked at the International Headquarters in New York and was on the four man executive committee responsible for the organisation's nine agencies in the U.S.A.

Her pace never slackens. Since Ann's return to London she's resumed her position on the Council of the Institute of Practitioners in Advertising, has been advising the World Health Organisation on advertising and control systems and is also one of the five advisers now examining the marketing of British agricultural products for the Minister of Agriculture.

It is with confidence in her contiming success that we ask you to join us in wishing

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Sir Michael at 75

on Wednesday. Already our priest. orchestras have begun their tributes which will continue throughout 1980, including a performance and attendant gramophone recording of King Priam. On the birthday evening, his most recent string quartet will beplayed for the first time on London's South Bank. Devotees of his music can expect perfor-

mances, here or there, of all his major compositions, even if one or more has to be heard on a record. He threw away everything that he composed before the late 1930s. Very little of his subsequent music has not lasted well, and all of it pushes other people's ideas, however unwilling to change, a degree

or more further. Charles Ives wanted to stretch people's ears; Tippett's music asks us to stretch our thinking, likewise his published writings about music. The composer himself, seem-

ingly energetic and youthful as-ever, is looking to the future, I talked to him recently just before he went off to America, by now almost a second home for him. The excuse was a concert which ha is to conduct in Syracuse, NY. But he admits that the attracture. tion is the youth of America which, in the last decade, has taken his music to its heart, from one state to another. He rom one state to another. He admits shyly to a pride in the Texan T-shirt which exhorts its beholders to "Turn on to Tippett". More seriously he is shrilled by the young people, musicians and lay folk alike, who seem to have found in his music the fulfilment of their searches for a partier of life and the state of the seriously the state of the seriously the searches for a partier of the seriously the searches for a partier of the searches for a search of the search of searches for a pattern of life, a sort of unofficial religion with

Sir Michael Tippett will be 75 Tippett as mentor if not high rhe bow across adjacent

Tippett himself is far more interested in his present and future work. He has just comfuture work. He has just com-pleted a triple concerto whose soloists are violin, viola and cello, the standard string trio. The London Symphony Or-chestra commissioned it, and will give the world premiere during the summer of 1980, Several American perfor-mances are planned. mances are planned. Neither the baroque concerto

grosso trio of two violins and cello, nor the romantic piano trio (as in Beethoven's "Archduke") was envisaged for this work, nor is the trio of strings work, nor is the trio of strings displayed as an entity, of "concertists"—the composer's word. "They are individuals", he explains, "and therefore the work comes closer to Brahms's double concerto in scope. I wanted to present them all to us in turn, like archetypes. First the viola, then the cello, finally the violin, each suggesting its particular essence, something that fascinates me. For example, the cello in Elgar's concerto has an ache which belongs to itself, partly to its register, partly its quality. That means that each instrument must follow its own personal line of activity, and that is what I have done.

"If you think of the eight-

"If you think of the eight-eenth-century method, where each solo instrument is expected, at its first appearance, to repeat what has just been heard, that puts the modern composer into a great deal of difficulty. In my con-certo. I don't provide material for any of the solo instruments that at all belongs to the

others.

"On the other hand, there are three of them and, unlike the hands on the keyboard, each stringed instrument can change register by two octaves and more, simply by moving

thing of the same kind with his fiddle concerto, even though he had such a strong natural concern for develop-ment (it isn't what a composer really thinks shour) really thinks about).:: "When I was young I imagined that development was
obliged of me. Now I'm beginning to move into other fields.
Sections are shifted and put
together in certain ways. I
think Mozart did the same, and
he was interested in the idea
of triple concertor. The main of triple concertos. The main problem was a lovely one, to present the solo instruments sothat none outclassed the others. When they all play together, after their first entries, they're a long way apart: a beautiful polyphony, but very strange."

So to Tippetr's next composi-tion, a large choral and or-chestral work, filling a whole concert, and already commissioned by a major American orchestra. It will involve four vocal soloists. Tippett, as usual, has got to write his own text which will deal with the birth of the world, then Man and Time within History. More he Time within History More he does not yet know, except that it will not be calculated English music. Tippen's outlook is to the whole world. He wants, I think, to compose something like Mahler's second symphony for the 1980s, but with English musical language. Not aggressively English: Tippett is a world citzen; nothing pleases him more than nothing pleases him more than when a work of his captures the imagination of people in some other country. Yet he remains entirely an individual, one might say an excentic. Every work he produces is surgeneris as acceptable elsewhere as in Britain.

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A short list for the eighties

il walks of life that people ro fadě from view after birthday, thirty-fifth i iournalists can no longer them "young" or "pro-2g", only to re-emerge their sixtieth, when they me "veterans", and everyis estorished to discover still capable of lifting bow, or paint brush.

staurants, likewise, better treated in their CY OF Semiority than in prime. The demands of paper columns like this, of the competitive climate tich restaurant guides are shed, put a premium on ty. It is difficult for a editor to say to his rs that restaurant X or Y womising place but that it se a bester one in two or years time if it is ed time for experiment the gradual accumulation n understanding local ele, before a different of customer descends on slace in a "show me" Anyway, the hoge cost estaurant launch and the ant bank loan now comnew proprietor to as many people as he n the shortest possible Otherwise, in two years— o months—he might be

ding a decade of estingrring which close on a restaurants have figured in this colwith three places of romise that have been in ighest respect is owed ers and chefs who stay five years or more (in it would be more like perfecting: their techwithout sacrificing their les or losing their in-n modifying and embellions in the 1979 edition, ly 33 still appear in the he record, here are the

e Connaught Hotel in ; and elsewhere, High-Hotel, Chittlehamholt; orn of Plenty, Gul-the French Pattridge, the Elizabeth, the
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v Bay Hotel, Uliswater;
fe of Bath, Wye; the
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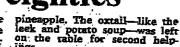
of the Seventies, a list composed to this ifluential and creative rive in Britain over the eriod: notably George nith and Joyce ix (who migrated from o their present res-in Helford and Dartover five years ago), lovey at Windermere,

nen, Nico Ladenis, Guy these people have and taken, time to eir mark. Few of them, , would wish to offer nustomers today the and standards they er from their first 12 This should perhaps e in mind by anyone hes off to try White's oln. Mallet's at Ramsi the Lake Isle at Upp-(Mallet's in any case is or the whole of Janu-t at the end of 1979, ree have seemed good

in the Jews' House, twelfth-century sometimes reputed to idest dwelling house in (One wonders whether ced a building society mortgage...) Some ing Mr White's name mer employments (the Newport, and the Old Wickham); others have mpted inside by the hand-written menu in low, which that day inbraised oxtail asted duck with fresh

tips for the Eighties.

sense Colin and Gwen restaurant is the oldest



There are only half a dozen tables, and the style, like the food, is simply conceived, with "everything home-made bar the bread". As often with new places, helpings are generous, and some visitors have flagged before they reached the orange curaçao trifle or the gooseberry fool. But at earlier stages, people have been reminded of Perry-Smith's style by the jambon persille in its sharp white wine jelly, the light cream cheese and herb quiche, the boned chicken in pastry with madeira and mushroom sauce, and another ham dish, saupiquet des Amagnes. (Perhaps Elizabeth David's French Provincial des Amagnes (Perhaps Eliza-beth David's French Provincial Cooking is the source common to both.) The house wines are from Provence at £3.50, and there are some good Riojas at a little more.

Wine is more limited at Simon Mallet's converted shop in Ramsgate, although the bouse choice (Provencal, n Kansgare, at nough the house choice (Provencal, again) is adequate, and suits the French provincial style that Mr Maller, too, inherited from the Perry-Smith school, via. Wye, France and London. "The bowl of oil-glistening black olives on every table is black olives on every table is like a welcome home, and the service is natural and helpful—when I asked for a

helpful—when I asked for a spoon to finish the sauce of the tripe, a second helping was suggested."

Olives—green this time—appeared again in an interesting duck dish, done with thyme and white wine, and "crisped to perfection" and "if the other main dishes on the short menn counted our ss for a year or less. At the short menn equalled our me time, if it were a sea bass in pastry with raisins an of nominating "res-s of the year", let the decade, the names abviously be different. courses too-a Kennish version of tempura vegetables as a first course, lightly battered and fried, and "melting bot pastry turnovers with brandade without sacrificing their of smoked markerel inside, les or losing their in and a slightly tart dill-seed n modifying and entitellment fundamental style. Simple fools and ices, and distinction list, bearing home-made fudge with coffee, tes, that the Good Food round off meals. A pity that, published in its 1969 as a customer complains, "by only if surgive in the state of the service in the service in the service of th only 11 survive in the the end of the evening noise ands with food or wine and smoke levels were unac-

Roy Richards' Lake Isle in Uppingham, Rutland (dwellers there tend to insist on the county name) also exhibits some of the new simplicity of style which is perhaps the seventies bequest to the eigh-ties. But there are also differences in pedigree — Mr Richards is a disciple of Kenneth Bell at Thornbury Castle) and vinous interest (as the owner of a wholesale wine business, he keeps a fine cellar, very modestly marked up at wholesale prices plus £1.50 a bottle plus VAT and 10 per cent service). Helpings, too, as befits five-course dinners, are more restrained than at the other two places.

The latest meal at the Lake Isle of which an account is to hand began with "excellent though nor over-hot" and orange soup; then admir-able onion flan, daube de boeuf with crinkly, lightly cooked cabbage, a mixed salad, a fine Stilton, and a choice of chocolate mousse or pear in red wine. Coffee was included in the £7.50 table d'hote price, and the correspondent, further fortified by the sight of Ch Lagune and Ch Leoville-Lascases 71 under £9, not to mention a wide range of table wines from various countries under £3.50, began to feel that an occasional restaurant meal might not be altogether beyond his purse. "And needless to say, the room was blessedly silent", as Years's lake isle was, apart from "the hive for the honey bee".

White's, The Jew's House, 15 The Strait, Lincoln, Lines. Tel.: Lincoln 24851. Closed Sunday: Monday lunch. Muss book. Meais 12.30-1.30, 7.30-10.00. A la carte meal with wine about £9.85.

Mallet's, 58 Queen Street, Ramsgate, Kent. Tel.: Thanet Sansgate, Kent. Tell: Indies; Sunday; Monday; January. Must book. Dinner 7.30-10.30. A la carre dinner with wine about £9.75. onner with wine about £9.75.

Lake Isle, 16 High Street East,
Uppingham, Leics. Tel.: Uppingham 2951. Closed lunch;
Sunday; Monday. Must book.
Dinner 7.30-9.30. Table d'hote
dinner £7.50.

Times Newspapers Ltd and the Good Food Guide (Consumers Association and Hodder) 1979.



Chess

The prodigy's era

more than half a century ago, the greybeards were wont to quote the Latin saving " maxima reverentia debetur pueri racher with an innuendo of peculant paradox than in any real belief as to its validity. There was of course the eightyear-old boy prodigy, Sammy Reshevsky, who was beating with great ease players eight times his age and eight times as stupid.

But how could you owe and indeed show the greatest reverence to an infant who, not yet having had time for cheerful yesterdays was by no means assured of confident tomorrows? Moreover, was it possible in any way to be sure of the age of someone born in a remote part of the Russian empire where and when birth certificates were not yet invented? Well, we have changed all

that and nowadays the boy prodigy is the rule rather than the exception. In the United States Bobby Fischer was a grandmaster at the age of 15 and here in England we have among others Nigel Short, 14 years old and figuring in a three-way tie for the British Championship, the other two being an international grandmaster and an international master.

But all this pales into comparative nothingness when we come to the case of the Soviet schoolboy, Garry Kasparov, whose real name, by the way, seems to be Harry Wainstain. who at the age of just 16 won Luka in Yugoslavia. The field included a wealth of grand-masters and a former world champion in Tigran Petrosian. Despite this he was assured of first price with two records will first prize with two rounds still to go.

In scoring 11; out of 15 he had fulfilled the grandmaster norm and he came first 2‡ points shead of grandmasters Anderssen. The other two grandmasters who tied for according to the case of the case second place were the Czecho-slovak Smejkal and the Soviet Petrosian. Next came Adorjan 8½ Knezevic 8, Matanovic and Browne 7½, Bukic 7, G. Garcia and Marjanovic, Marovic and Vukic 6½, Hernandez and Kurajica 6 and the only other player to be, like Kasparov, non-tirled Shibarovic 4 titled Shibarovic 4.

He beat the American champion, Walter Browne, with a combination so beautiful that the Yugoslav press was moved to liken him to Bobby Fischer at the same age. I think in fact that he is superior combina-tionally to Bobby Fischer at that age but perhaps not quite with that classic command of strategy that distinguished both Fischer and Capablanca in the days of their youth. Thinking along those lines it

appears to me that the only player who could stop Kas-parov's inevitable approach to the World Championship would be Bobby Fischer, in the un-likely event of that great player returning to the scene of the World Championship contests.

I mentioned last week how well he is doing in the 47th Soviet Championship tourna-ment at Minsk. That tournament also contains a number of junior players of great talent.
There is Sergei Dolmatov, junior world champion in 1978, and
the younger Arthur Yusupov,
who was the junior world
champion the year before that. Another former junior world champion competing in Minsk

won the title as long ago as 1973 in the Teesside ahead of Tony Miles.

Tony Miles.

The Soviet chess journal 64" gives what it calls their individual coefficient by which it means their rating number. The Soviet rating is slightly dissimilar to the Elo rating but the relations between the the relations between the players are just the same. Yusupov's for example is 2,475, whereas Kasparov's is 2,510. These, in Elo rating terms are Yusupov 2,490 and Kasparov 2,545, a rating he obtained in the preliminary Elo list for last July. last July.

Their individual encounter was in the third round, after Kasparov had already disposed of Georgadze in Round One and Sveshnikov in Round Two. The game was an extraordinary one which followed some analysis given by the former champion, the Estonian grandmaster, Paul Keres. How far each player was aware of this is anybody's guess but the whole line seems to be bad for Black.

White G. Kasparov Black A. Yusupov Roy Lopez, Morphy Defence, open variation. More usual here are either

P-B3 or 9 Q-K2.

Now we are back in normal lines; of the three moves at Black's disposal here Q-Q2, NxN, or B-KN5 the exchange of Knights seems to give Black least trouble.

A strong move recommended by Keres who is the great analyst of the Ruy Lopez. After 13 B-Q5, NxP; 14 BxP; NxN ch; and after the exchanges the position levels

Or 13... QxQ; 14 BxQ, PxN; 15 BxN, PxP; 16-KxP, QR-Q1; 17 P-QR4, with pressure on Black's Q side. 14 QxN PxP 16 B-R6 PxB 15 QxKNPQ-Q2 17 P-B3 P-KR4

Weakens the Kingside; but after 17..., B-B4 ch; 18 K-R1, QR-K1; 19 QR-K1 and White has the advantage. 18 OR-O1 O-84 18 Px8 Oxfo If 19... QxP(N5); 20 R-Q7 leaves White with a firm grip on the position.

20 QR-K1 Q-B4 ch 21 K-R1 QR-Q1 Position after 21.., QR-Q1



A powerful move that in-creases White's hold on the initiative. White plays all this part of the game with wonder-ful energy. 23 R-Q5

Now the Oueen is forced off the defence of the KB; for if 23... Q-KB3; 24 P-N5. 23 Q-KN3 25 BxR PxP 24 RxB RxR 26 Q-K4 QxQ ch

22 . . . Q-Q3

Equivalent to resignation; but if 26..., Q-N4; 27 RxKBP, RxR; 28 Q-K8 ch, K-N2; QxR ch, resigns. In fact, Black resigned after a few more

Travel

Putting on the Greek style



When we had finished working being built above the restaurant around the village and its best seen from high above and on our last visit to Corfuthough, between ourselves, I find it increasingly difficult to tell when I am "off duty" abroad, regarding every experience as notebookworthy -- I hired a small car and spent that spare day revisiting a few special places. One of these is the taverna Naftis at Kavos. about which I recall writing in the summer of 1978. It had changed, of course, but it had changed for the better. In the first place the road

to Kavos from Corfu Town has been improved, and recalling the potholes of the final stretch, that certainly is a change for the better. The road heads south from the island's capital, through Benitses—tatty and in grave danger of overreaching itself through overdevelopment -and along the coast to Mesongi. Then it winds inland, through a collection of slumbering hamlers whose white walls dazzle the eye, until it reaches Lefkimi. It was from here that the potholes began and the road surface frayed away, as so many roads seem to do when abroad. But no more. As we beaded towards Kavos it was clear that the road had been and was still being improved. Not perfect by any means, but a lot better than before. It is surprising that Kavos is under 30 miles from Corfu Town, for when you do reach it you feel you have completed a monumental journey.

Anyway, there was the familiar turning and the track up to the Naftis. And there, with a grin and a welcoming glass of wine, was Mr Evangelos Pandis, the taverna's owner.

He is tall and he is broad, and beyond that I shall not desand beyond that I shall not des-cribe except to say that if a lage on 25 acres between Danilia casting director were looking for someone to play the role of a retired Greek sailor now run-ning a taverna, he would pick out Mr Pandis from any line-up. We talked of what had after a few more happened since my last visit, as potters and other specialist we disposed of the dolmades craftsmen at work. (And buy and the dzadziki—and the wine. He showed me the new rooms tumed guides conduct people

which he was going to rent during the boliday season, using and way of life of earlier days,
the services of OSL. He told demonstrating how oil and wine
my companion of his career at were produced, showing them sea-which began when he joined his first ship in Manchester—and as we tackled the salad with its white feta cheese and black olives and the dish of huge shrimps which came as a curtain raiser for the main course, I revelled in that special atmosphere that a taverna generates. How fortunate that on

Corfu it is possible to make such establishments your holi-Not, mind you, that I would criticize the large hotels to which so many visitors travel. I have stayed in three of them and visited most of the others and know that if you are a first-time traveller to Corfu such hotels provide all the amenities you expect and help make your holiday a comfortable one. I know, because I have met them, that the hotels have their faithful regular guests, too. (Incidentally, if you have never travelled to a Greek island, Corfu is a good place to begin. It is more "Euroto begin. It is more "Euro-pean" than any of the others, because of its geographical position, but it does have that Greek style about it that so many Britons find attractive. from it you may graduate, as it were, to the drier, hotter and more typical islands of the Eastern Mediterranean.)

I think the best kind of holiday on Corfu is one which leaves you free to sample the tavernas during the evening. Stay at a hotel by all means, on half-board terms, spending your days on the beach or by the pool and taking your buffet lunch at leisure there. And in the evenings explore

ing those whose food and wine you most appreciate, or which have that special atmosphere. Since my last visit, "The Village" had opened. This is a

£1m plus development wisich reand Temploni, eight kilometres from Corfu Town. The intention is a good one, for the vil-lage is semi-educational in that during the day one may see coppersmiths, leather workers,

have been furnished with old pieces gathered from all over the island.

It is certainly worth visiting during the day, but I have my reservations about its night time activity although, again, the intention is good. An evening of Greek entertainment—bouzouki playing, folk songs and dances
—is provided as visitors eat a
"typical" Greek meal in a lane
and high dining hall. The problem is that a large nu ber of people is assembled and as the evening—and the free wine
—wears on, some of them are inclined to become boisterous. Chauvinism is also inclined to surface as some holidaymakers comment on the behaviour of others. But perhaps I was unlucky on the choice of evening. Or then again, perhaps I am not cut out for organized jollity en masse. However, the real attraction

island itself. One of the guide books claims there are between three and four million olive trees on Corfu, and one can believe it, when looking out over the island from the high ground in the north west. Hiring a car is an expensive business—as it is on all Greek islands—but one needs mobility

in order to appreciate fully what Corfu has to offer. I had a tiny Fiat for that one day and paid £24, even though the car company gave me a ten per cent discount. I wonder if some means can be found to reduce such costs, and observed during my visit that a great number of holidaymakers had hired scooters and mopeds. If those less expensive alternatives become popular, perhaps the car companies will react by reducing their charges.

We needed the car, however, not only for the journey down to Kavos, but so that I could show my companion a part of the island that is particularly pleasant, driving north from Dassia and turning inland near Ipsos to cross the northern part of the island and reach the opposite coast high above Paleokastritsa. That place is an extremely popular destination for the sightseeing coaches, and suffers as a result. I think it is

Notwithstanding the cost of car hire, this is the best way to discover the delights of Corfu, especially along those roads far off the bearen tourist track. Arm yourself with the best man you can purchase—though even the best maps do not always coincide with the reality of the road system—and set off pro-pared to get lost. One of the best days I remember from an early visit was when I literally "ran out of road" near the village of Vassilatika. "It happens always", a young men told me, sauntering over from his perch in the shade of a barn. "We laugh when the cars pass here. We know they must pass back again. No route. No hurrying."

For my money, Corfu is best in spring, when a carpet of wild flowers is thick in the meadows and olive groves-protected by the huge nets spread under the trees to catch the falling olives. But of course it is at its most spectacular at Easter.

Next year the Greek Easter coincides with our own and in Corfu town on Easter Saturday evening the crowds will gather with their candles, a glitternia sea of tiny flames, waiting for the stroke of midnight and the celebration Christos Ancili. Nowhere in Greece is there a more unusual or colourful You may obtain more infor-

mation about Corfu from the Greek Tourist Office, which is at 195/197 Regent Street, London, W1R 8DL. Very many tour companies—literally dozen — offer inclusive holidays on the island, using hotels or tavernus or self-catering villas and details of these can be had from the brochures which any comtravel Although Benn's "Blue Guide to Greece" by Stuart Rossiter contains a section on Corfu, more information may be had from Celia Irving's The Adriatic Islands and Corju which was first published in 1971 by Dent, and in the more recent (1977) Corfu which Margaret Hopkins wrote for Box-ford. A very useful pocket guide is that in the Berlin series, which you can buy on the island if your local bookshop doesn't happen to have a John Carter

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Gardening

Successes and failures

In this last article of the year mated were under a foot high. number of varieties. These will may I make one or two obser- Dwarf plants are fine so long as obviously be the common varievations that I was unable to they are growing in rich fertile ties that most people have make as the year wound its way soil and are watered adequately on. First (naturally) a com- in dry spells. If not, they fail ment on the weather. Do you to make sufficient root growth; fruit trees and of course seeds. remember how we grumbled in they either stop growing before April and May- "Would the winter never end?" "Would the summer never come?" Yet such is nature's resili-

warm up, within six weeks our plants and crops were virtu- So if gardeners are growing ally back on schedule. I say dwarf varieties, too often they virtually because the summer We and some of our friends already not very imposing. grow sweet corn and this was a miserable failure. True we were growing a new variety, pondents wax lyrical about the but it was supposed to be an early one, and we may have been a bit late with the sowings and when the time came to plant them out the young plants were not as large as they would normally be. The general opinion among the professionals is that there was a short cold spell in June which gave the plants a check from which they never recovered.

Other friends complain that most of their leeks bolted to seed. My friends in the seed trade have told me that older varieties like "Musselburgh" are more prone to bolting prematurely than modern varieties such as Yates Empire.

And while we are on the subject of varieties. I will return I am perhaps arguing against to my hobby horse the mania of seed breeders here and past I have bewarled the tenabroad for producing dwarf dency for nurserymen to reduce compact varieties of flowers, drastically the number of varie-Gardens are small they say, so ties of plants they produce to we must have small plants. Last sell in garden centres. Here summer I visited one large seed we are up against the economic summer I visited one large seed we are up against the economic Still thinking about fruit. I trial ground and over three facts of life. In garden centres am sad about all the Eritish quarters of the varieties, I esti- they can only stock a limited apples thrown away because of

making their full growth and flower prematurely; or they

Most garden soils are hungry ence, when the weather did and few people water soon enough or generously enough. end up with miserable quarter think did not suir all plants. sized versions of plants that are There is an analogy here with

the motor car. Motoring corresfabulous rate of acceleration but what the average motorist wants is a car that starts at the first turn of the switch and keeps on going with no trouble. So with plants. The specialists will take endless trouble to coddle the rarer plants in their collection. Some of ns will take the trouble to give special care and protection to a few plants in the garden, but most of us want sturdy, vigorous plants that may be relied upon to flourish without undue fuss. When my father regired and for the first time had a garden of his own he ruthlessly flung out any plant that was regularly subject to disease.

I realize in saying all this myself, because often in the

heard of and will pick up and buy-this applies to all plants, If this is progress so be it. But it is sad to think that very soon we will only be able to choose from say half a dozen apples and half a dozen pears. Maybe we do not need more than half a dozen apples and pears, but the same limitation of choice is happening throughout the whole range of plant varieties. One can only hope that there will always be specialist nurseries that will still be able to carry a long list

of varieties. But these special-

ist firms have to be sought out

and already we hear of drastic curtailments to their lists. . Limitation of choice seems to be something people accept just as they meekly accept unripe fruit in the shops and even the most expensive restaurants. Half-green tomatoes never achieve the full flavour they would have had if left on the plant for a few more days. We may forgive the greengrocer for stocking only half ripe fruit because he does not want to have to throw any away. But I cannot forgive an expensive restaurant that serves a pear as hard as a half

serves a pear as hard as a hair ripe marrow and has the effrontery to charge a pound for it. The other day in Paris, I thought £2 for a pear in a renaurant was a bit on the high side, but at least it was beautifully ripe and as I was not paying for it I had no cause to complain. I think we should start a sustained campaign against unsipe fruit

Delicious' apples from France. Now I am one of those people, bigoted perhaps, who believe that only apples with the 'Cox's Orange Pippin' flavour are worth eating. Some people like the French 'Golden Delicious' or 'Calville'. The French do. They do not like Cox's. But I am told that the French are grubbing up vast acreages of Golden Delicious and replanting them with 'Idared' This is a lovely apple to lool at and will obviously sell but for me insipid and of poor flavour. But such are the market forces; we will get what is forced upon us whether we like it or not and almost certainly half ripe at that. The remedy is in our own hands—grow it in the garden.

the influx of cheap 'Golden

Now as 1979 draws to a close we have an extraordinary situa-tion—bulbs pushing well up-long before they should be showing above ground. But not worry about them. They can stand all the frost and snow that may, or hopefully may not, hit them between now and the spring. Forsythia is in bloom-far earlier than I have ever known. The lawns look lush and happy. The worms are still working away near the surface and throwing up their casts which have to be switched away from any area that may have to put up with foot

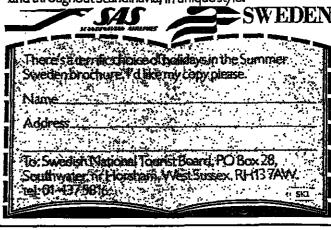
All in all I think we may look back on 1979 as a kindly year for gardeners. Let us hope that 1980 will begin mild, that the spring when it comes will stay and not go back on itself with late and damaging frosts; that the summer will be warm and sunny with timely, generous, short periods of rain; that we will have a colden autumn we will have a golden autumn with πο serious frosts until November and that we have no snow until Christmas eve. And so, I offer you every good wish and Happy Gardening in the New Year.

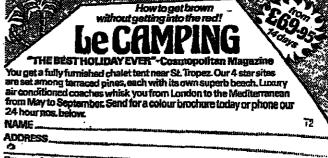
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Controlling the cuckoo in the nest

Mr Roy Jonkins can be forgiven a feeling of depression as be starts the final year of his presidency of the European over which he presides is facing what looks like the worst crisis Commission. The Community ot its life. And the fourth year of a Brussels presidency is traditionally a time in which the authority of the Commission crodes and decision-making deteriorates, as the commis-sioners either look for new jobs or spend their time lobbying in their national capitals to ensure

This is therefore a had time for the Community to have to face the double challenge which has arisen over its budger. Within the past month the British bid to reduce the United Kingdom's budget contribution by £1,000m has been overtaken by the European Parliament's rejection of the budget as a whole.

These two challenges, apparently unrelated, have a common origin. This lies in the domination of the Community budget by the Common Agricul-tural Policy, a cuckoo which is progressively ejecting the other birds, such as the regional and social policy, from the Brussels nest through its voracious appetite for funds. It is the undue share of total Community funds taken by the CAP which has produced the excessive, and unplanned. Eritish budgetary contribution. It is also the reason for the Parliament's rejection of the hudget. If the Community is to sur-

vive, some way has to be found of "capping the CAP", ie of imposing a ceiling on farm sup-port spending. The fact is that Europe's agricultural produc-tivity has been growing much faster than anybody anticipated

10 years ago. Most of Europe's farmers no Most of Europe's farmers no longer need the support provided by the Common Agricultural Policy, and those who do could be helped at less cost through the social fund or the agricultural guidance fund. Farm output has grown without the disciplines of the market, since the CAP guarantees demand even when the product is in structural surplus. is in structural surplus,

The result has been a progressively more unbalanced Community. Quite apart from the special problem this presents for Britain, it has for sometime been economically indefensible. The Parliament's until the description of the problem that it is the content of the problem that it is the problem that the problem that it is the problem that it is the problem that the problem that it is the problem that the prob action demonstrates that it is now politically unacceptable as

It was predictable that sooner later a directly-elected European parliament would seek to challenge the executive, and to secure some at least of the powers which a democratic-ally-elected national parliament would expect to exercise. But what is significant about the present conflict is that the present conflict is that the parliamentary majority against the budget includes political groups who would normally be expected to side with national governments against a supra-national assembly, such as the British Conservative and Labour

If the Community is to survive some way has to be found of reducing the economic and political imbalance

This means that the issue cannot be regarded just as a con-flict over constitutional author-ity. Wherever sovereignty should lie, the real issue is whether the CAP can be con-tained or whether it will destroy the Community. If the Community institutions can agree on a fundamental overhoul of the CAP the problem of the British CAP the problem of the British budgetary contribution can probably be subsumed within the general examination. For an EEC less dominated by agricultural spending would be a much more acceptable one for the United Kingdom to belong

The question is whether the Community has the will to undertake this fundamental re-

of the Strasbourg a straight challenge to its authority. If this happens, the pros-pect is grim. The Community is in no shape to enter into an internal constitutional conflict.

The alternative has to be, as I have already indicated, some modification of the CAP. But those who are demanding change have to give something as well. As I suggested in these columns on November 29, it is unrealistic for Britain to try to exclude the North Sea altogether from the European equation.

However, the unbalanced nature of the budget is only one part of the problem facing the EEC institutions. The other aspect of the crisis is the institutions themselves, and their inability either to resolve the conflicting interests of the undertake this fundamental rethink, or whether the Council
of Ministers—led by France,
which among the bigger countries has most to lose — will
right off what it may regard as Spain and Portugal.

The challenge facing Mr Jenkins and his colleagues is to use their last year in office to make Europe's institutions flexible and efficient enough to service an enlarged Community of 12 better than they are of 12 better than they are servicing today's Community of nine. A bruising battle between two of the key institutions, the Council and the Parliament, will hardly be helpful at this juncture. But it may be unavoidable.

If so, this simply means that the third institution, the Com-mission, will have to work harder to inject new thinking into the EEC. The two reports on internal structures commissioned respectively by President Giscard d'Estaing and Roy Jenkins—the Dell Report and the Spierenburg Report—have both pointed the way forward in the past few months. Their recommendations have been very similar.

Both reports have stressed the need for a stronger, more streamlined Commission, with fewer commissioners (only one from each country), fewer directorates general, more coordination between departments, and more authority
specifically for the president,
who should directly control the
key portfolios of finance and
personnel. The president should
also have more say than at
present over the choice of his
fellow commissioners. The Comfellow-commissioners. The Com-mission should be more inde-pendent of the Council of Ministers, and have stronger links to the Parliament. And the Council itself should improve

Mr Roy Jenkins, lacing a crisis in his final year as commission president .

its efficiency, and delegate more responsibility to the EEC. ambassadors in Brussels (the so-called Committee of Permanent Representatives, or Coreper). The Dell Report, commis-sioned by the French President on behalf of the Council, was

briefly discussed at the Dublin summit and referred back for full consideration at the next European Council meeting in February. Since this meeting is also supposed to settle the British budgerary problem, and will also presumably have to try to resolve the conflict with the Parliament, the agenda already looks charged. It would be a great pity if the report gets the same dusty reception as the last report on Europe's future commissioned by the European Council, the Tindemans Report. But it would not be altogether

astonishing.

This means that it is all the more important for Mr Jenkins and his colleagues to act on the report which they commissioned in parallel iu parallel, the Spierenburg Report (on which the British

representative was Mr. Dick Tayerne). This report goes rather further in some of its recommendations but the recommendations but the Each report challenges the fiefdoms which have been allowed to grow up within the Brussels hierarchy, and seeks to give a reformed Commission more authority to steer the

European ship This is a reversal of the trend of recent years, during which the Commission has steadily lost power to the Council. But the Council, reflecting as 1t does the conflicting interests of the member-states, has shown that it cannot give the European Community the sense of direction it needs. The two present conflicts over the budget merely represent the cumulation of years of frustration and lack of direction. Unless this trend is reversed, whatever happens over the present disputes the Community is un-

likely to survive as a serious entity much into the 1980s.

New words and new meanings.

The cowboy goes west

Cowbog as epithet has come down in the world as fast as to spur down the last stage of the trail drive into Abilene to known as the Devil's Addition It has become an insult for the reckless driver of a juggernaut lorry rather than a prairie schooner: the kind of cowboy who thunders past you on the inside lane and then cuts across. Each for himself, and God for us all, as the elephant said when he danced among the chickens.

Your modern repulsive comboy does not have to be an wheels, though it helps. Since the 1950s combay has been a derogatory appellation for Teddy boys and other wild young men Conversely in the argot of these modern cowboys, it has become a name for the police: "They didn't seem to me like combays. I can smell a copper in the dark, a hundred feet away, blindfolded ".

feet away, blandfolded ".

The latest extension of cowboy as epither is to mean an
untraised or inefficient performer. The garden of the
Bishop of Truro has been
peppered by golf balls from
the adjacent golf course. When
questioned by the press, members of the golf ciub blamed
the trouble on "coubous who
do not know how to play do not know how to play properly. This is a pretty example of dangerous driving. In a similar extension of the netaphor, in Southern Rho-

desix opponents of the Rhodesian Front regime used to call it the cowboy government. Another new use of conboy is to describe a crooked takes your deposit and never Less than a generation ago your combon was king of the wild western in his regalia of wild Mestern in ins regalia of stetson and chaparteras, tumbling down the Santa Fe trail as eternally as the tumble-weed, dying with his boots on, shouldering through the swing-doors of the saloon into the sudden allence of a new town, drawing against death in the drawing against death in the empty high-noon street, and performing all the other errant-ries that, a cowboy had to do, like riding off into the Techni-color sunset leaving the girl behind, while the music by Dmitri Tiomkin swelled like a

williwaw in the high sierras. He could ride a bucking bronco and throw a lasso, the dude's name for a lariat, with enviable dexterity. What in the name of St

Martha Jane Cannary can have happened to turn the poor comboy from hero to villain in the descendants it falsely baptised.

Oh, he could write no doubt about that But it was all the same sort of writing. That back of his, These Poor Hands realism (showing that in the realis the real West the life of comboy was solitary, poor, nasty, brutish, and short) and towards message (showing sympathy for the Indians, the Mexicans, the rustlers, and the cowards).

For another, the coubon may be said to be reverting to type rather, than decliving from a golden age. Before Hollywood made him a hero, the couboy had a disreputable past. Coulanguage as an opprophrious name for Tory terrorists fighting with no holds barred on the British side during the American Revolutionar, war. Its next use was as a term of contempt for a gang of wild riders under the leadership of a certain Ewen Cameron, who specialized in murdering Mexicans soon after Texas became an independent state in 1835. When he came to mean cattleman, cowboy was still rough and wild. Try anything once, except incest, folk-dancing, and cowboys. Until the Hollywood dream-machine white-washed him, cowboy was a dirty word. Consequently our new use of cowbou as insult is not new but agreeably historical.

Philip Howard

The boy who escaped from the Valley of Witches

On January 4. 1941. Picture stood Peter next to his father Post magazine published one of on the tip and told him to look its many sombrely-uplifting con- as if he was looking into the tributions to morale in wartime future. Britain. Long before the tide had visibly turned. Picture beside the miner and dog in Post was looking ahead to a nation at peace, and presumable victorious, whose probable day. It was the first and only the probable of the miner and dog in quiet companionship, had also to remember that day. It was the first and only the probable of the miner and dog in quiet companionship. nation at peace, and presumably victorious, whose probable shape, in industry, planning, education, even leisure, was discussed by such contemporary as Maxwell Fyfe and

of a powerful and poignant virtual image. A South Wales miner, B. L.

Coombes, had sent in an article, as he modestly said, "about life as it looks to me and my mates". The prose, however, was that of an instinctive was that of an instinctive writer, goaded to passionate and lucid anger by national abstrations. which absurdities sound

familiar today.

Even in deepest wartime, many mines stood idle, there being no "market" for coal. The miner wondered why his home should be without fuel then from his window in Giamorgan he could see a mountain so full of coal that its seams cropped to daylight. He wondered why a country lighting for life should have no work for him in hale middle age, or for his 16-year-old son's

inventive youth. The article appeared in Picture Post, accompanied by a photograph of the miner, Bert Sam their sheepdog on a coal tip near their home in the Vale of Neath. Together they seem to personify that quiet strength which comes to the British in

Peter Coombes remembers the day well, and the men from Picture Post. For Peter, in 1941. in was an adventure to go to Meath, six miles away. Swansea, distant and terrifyingly large. was the boundary of his under-

Incse men came from even farther, with their tripods, their seconts that Glamorgan people and maintained the right of the could barely understand. They man to tyrannize. The village

time he ever went out of doors in his father's company or ob-truded himself, without blame, on his father's attention. What-J. B. Priestley.

Being Picture Post, this pecial number. A Plan for Eritain, was launched by means and the primary of the pri

Bert Coombes was not, as Picture Post thought, a Welshman. He had come to Glamorgan in 1910 or thereabouts, driven down the causeway of hills from impoverished farming stock in Herefordshire. At Resolven, on the threshold of the Vale of Neath, he had wood pit official's daughter, to her family's plainly-evinced dis-pleasure. All through Peter's relatives would enter the house.

Nor was Bert Coombes's article dashed off spontaneously for his workmates' sake. He was, when Picture Post found all-consuming belief in his own literary genius. He had taken up writing during the General Strike in 1926, the year after Peter's birth. The boy's first memory was of his father's voice upstairs, angrily shouting for quiet.
The family lived then in

Resolven, in a tiny cottage next to a pub whose noise drove Bert Coombes to frenzy in the book-filled front bedroom where he worked. No one in those days wanted his articles and short stories. A big old sea chest grew full to the brim with his manuruled by the tormented absences of the thin, silent, chilly man who acknowledged his existence only insofar as it

tifreatened concentration. His mother, a gentle, deflated woman served meals on time and maintained the right of the



disliked but faintly revered "that writer chap", pardoning Coombes his non-attendance at pub and Chapel and the ritual Sunday promenade. When Picture Post's letter came, the family had moved

from Resolven up the valley to a stone lodge on the edge of the old Vaughan estate. Peter's elder sister, by that time, had been driven by their father away into service and early marriage. Peter spent his days alone, pushing his soap hox curt along the unfrequented road; becoming so skilled at birdson2 that he could call even owls down to the back of the house. Already they had heard sirens in Resolven and, later, seen the big bumbers flying low down the Vale to attack Swansea. Bert Coombes being absent, as usual. Peter and his mother took chair each and went and sat higher up in the woods. A sound like soft rain began as the bomb shrapnel fell among the

came, Peter was conscious of a first mutinous stirring within himself. He had noticed before how charming his father could be to callers, especially if they

were literary people. wondered, too, why the article implied that both father and son were unemployed. Bert Coombes still had his night colliery, and Peter had started work as a trainee garage hand. Most keenly the boy resented a passage where artistic licence betrayed his father's incomprehension of him. "My son", Coombes wrote, "is trying to make an aeroplane out of two

oid bicycles."

The article, and its hounting recognition for which he had longed. He went on to write a book, These Poor Hands, an ences whose publication through

Club, guaranteed a sale of 100,000 cories Literary people sought out the eloquent miner for his solid subterranean wisdom. To gave Sam the sheepdog, Peter's adored friend. They took Sam Neath and put him on a train-Cocmbes had sworn, from

his pay parme.

for pocket money.

saw his escape. He

him underground. It was the boy's first act of insurrection to join the very pit where his father still worked, up in Cwm Gwarch, The Valley of Witches, under the coal mountain they could see from the Lodge windows.

The seams lay, in places, three miles below ground. To reach them by "spake", the man-carrying wagons, entailed a journey of half an hour. Down there, 20 horses worked, groomed to perfection in sightless stalls, and wild, blind cats dasned past on coal-heaped

When Peter came off shift, it was to equally back-breaking labour on a smallholding which B. L. Coombes had bought with his literary earnings. Father and son toiled alternately, by on poor hill land vielding little Friday Peter would hand over als pay packet and receive 10s

In 1946 he saw his escape. He deliberately failed to fill in. Ministry of Labour forms relating to his two reserved occupatradition rather than concern, that Peter should never follow tions. Soon afterwards, he was called up for National Service.

Two generations look out over their native land: R. L. Coombes and his son, Peter, photographed by Picture Post in January, 1941

The call-up went through despite Coombes's efforts to annul it, and a question in Par-liament by the Glamorgan MP. Peter joined the RAF, travelling to Warrington. It was the first time in his life he had not looked at mountains and valleys. To begin with the flatness made him dizzy; he almost put out a hand to stop himself falling.

The Vale looks unchanged, save that some of the peaks have been lopped off for outcrop coal, and a fast road now rushes heavy traffic through to Rugland, by passing the old stone lodge. Resolven in its hollow has not stirred or altered but for the larger windows the houses now have. When windows were small, the

Peter Coombes takes the fast Peter Coombes takes the fast road to England in the 53-seat luxury coach he now drives for a living. He is 54, slight and dapper, with a beard he likes to call a Van Dyke and a dry, quiet line in coach-driver repartee. He points out the sights of Glamorgan as impartially as those of the Tyrol, which he frequently visits. There's the old abbev; and the morderer's stone. Back there is the place where his father lies buried. Peter does not visit the grave.

his thoughts only to be interrogated many years too late.
"I often wonder if the man showed any affection in his life for anyone.

Peter's RAF service gave only temporary freedom. His true rebellion was in offering love. At a dance in Resolven he met a dance in Resolven he met a dance in Resolven were steel people from Pon tardawe. So great was Peter's dread of his father, he could not bring himself to mention Sarah at home until a week before they were due to marry. Bert Countes by then owned a larger, even less prosper-ous smallholding at Gynneath: his only response to Peter's news was "How am I going to manage on my own?" When Peter promised to live on at home, his father releuted and bought him a wedding suit. and bought him a weading suit.

His mother gave him £3 10s

which she had saved by secretly

putting half crowns down the

side of the chair. And later,

the mines in the only way you could under government regu-lations: by foining the prison service. The standing about was terrible, but it gave him his release into bus driving. Money was tight, of course. In those days, one did not worry so much Days out in the Vale cost much Days out in the Vale cost nothing. He can see from his nothing. He can see, from his passing coach, the tracks the seven of them made together. None of the children made any discernible impression on B. C. Coombes. Peter took them

Sarah gave him five children, so that none would have to push a soap box cart alone. He left the mines in the only way you

home to Glynneath regularly for the sake of his mother, end lessly loyal and patient, although, towards the end, even Orice, she showed reter a bruise which his father had given her. Now was it, apparently, the first time she had suffered physical ill-When Coombes died, five years ago, Peter was away with

years ago, Peter was away with a coach party in Llandudno. He did not come home for the funeral Glancing at his father's birth certificate later, he found that it bore so unfamiliar name—not Bert Lewis Coombes but Bertram Lonise Coombes Griffith. The motive for this lifelong alias lies back in Here fordshire, beyond the reach of the descendants it falsely bap-

to call it. And he didn't really like mining. Even as a writer, he couldn't tell the truch. It still gets me what he wrote about me, 'trying to make an zeroplane out of two old bicycles'."

Peter lives by himself now, in

a council flat with a view of another mountain, March Hywell Sarah died in 1970, so suddenly it was almost painless. He paints through the winter, when the coach trade stops— seascapes and waterfalls and clown faces, the things people like to see hanging in their homes. Two or three paintings, displayed in his from window. frequently attract, a small crowd. He is happy, as his father could never have been, with that small drop of recogni-

tion. His children, Roberta, Tony, Alan, Gillian and Lynette, are all grown up, all married. It pleases him that they do not need him, but work things out among themselves and tell him the result. He enjoys—as who would not? the politics of a family whose members, fundamentally, like each other; the dividend from affection he did not consciously invest.

Philip Norman

SPORTS DIARY

Unfestive days of football

There was not much to be said for playing football on Christmas morning but something for watching. As amelioration after a late Christmas five and a raucous dawn cracked asunder by the shrieks of excited children, the o clock kick-off dispersed the coowens. The matches were usually local is rivalry with pienty to bell w about and not thways generous good will to all Wrapped in new scarves and

wielding rattles that offended the peace of the day, we went mother to slave over the tur-We said it was to keep out of her way. A colleague is eethingly upset at his decision to attend an away match in a neighbouring town, thus miss rail miles.

spirit of Christmas and offered in all competitions. Ironically, a hamper for half-time. When he opened it he found three or to be known, would have no trafour heavy books and a quorter of a round of cheese.
Others, more directly involved, were equally dis-

gruntled at having the festivi-ties broken by this custom of playing professional football on Christmas Day, often in the morning. William Ralph "Dixie"

Dean recalled the arduous Christmas week of 1927 in a book written a few years ago by Nick Walsh wao sadly died by Nick Walsh who sadly died shortly before publication. Dean recalled that Everton played three games in four days and four within the week. Considering the travel arrangements of those days it was, he said with some minimizing of the situation. a "much more intruse itinerary in many ways than it is today".

The ream erroralized to John The team travelied to Lon-

don to play Arsenal and returned to Merseyside to meet Cardiff City on Boxing to the match, leaving Day when Dean scored twice, her to slave over the tur- taking his total to 33 from 21 games. On the following day Everton played at Cardiff and on New Year's eve were at Sheffield Wednesday. The journeys amounted to over 1,000

and lunch altogether.

But as he left the house she seemed to be touched by the seemed to be touched by the seemed at total of 100 countries.

and rarely leaves home. Mod-ern football has not found a contemporary centre forward to former football correspondent.

Safety valve I am reminded by one of foot-

ball's most devoted followers.
Canon Reg Smith, that these
Christmas holiday fixtures
regularly produced what he
calls "frenk results". A director and dedicated worker for Bury Town, he recalls that his own club lost 5-0 at home one Christmas Day and won 5-1 against the same team on Boxing day. He claims no cred:: 6" influence since his steadying hand was not upon them in

those days. He would not have attended the Christmas Day game and would not do so if such intures were revised for though he says his enthusicsm for sport is such that in the absence of anything more organized be would play marbles on the church seps he says it is the special day when his devotion to Bury takes second place to his belief in the significance of the family occasion



Dixie " Dean : 1,000 rail miles

for 12 years and being in-volved in the church for 30, I

any case, but I am pleased that the decision to stop came from the players. They, like most people, sense the underlying importance of Christmas and Sunday. When football was played on those days the atmosphere was always different, more restrained. My more cynical regard for

many professional footballers makes me think that few had we cannot deny them their family day and as for the Cannot, he serves God and Gigg. Lane (the Bury ground) with a wonder(u) enthusiasm that glows in rocse days of greed within the game. His love of football and his witry speeches have made him quite famous and in demand.

University captain, he played ustil he was 50 "and then the linesman overtook me twice so decided it was time to

He is really a Bolton man with a natural sympathy for Wanderers but be loves Bury Town. They invited him on to their small board of directors because, as he says, they wanted someone with integrity ino knew something about

football. the significance of the family volved in the courch for 30. I "It was a Godsend", he told have never been able to go to me. "It provides me with a Being a cathedral choirbey a match on Christmas Day in safety valve. I can put some-

thing back into the game and it makes a break from my nor-mal everyday routine—the slog

courage came to find a house of his own, in the main street at

about personal relations")and can usually be seen in the forecourt before games dealing with the police or others who bave problems.

Sometimes one of the youngsters will say comething

in the dressing room and then turn and say sorry, rec-tor, and if we are losing someone else may tell me my prayer mat is not working, but the youngsters are spleadid."

Sagas of the north-west

Liverpool's football against Value 16
Manchester United on Boxing Money Day was well worth travelling a long way to enjoy. Both of these clubs attract supporters from far afield. Stories abound of extraordinary journeys. undertaken to see a football match at Anfield or Old Traf-

of work. When I am at a manch it is my only time off."

Not that his responsibilities are confined to attending matches. He looks after the social club ("because I am supposed to know something about necessary leakings.") There is a large contingent of Irish-Liverpool supporters.

On Boxing Day a group flew He chose West Ham United over from Dublin and promised to present themselves at the morning Blackburn then the coach upon the final whistle. Obediently, they were the coach upon and the coach whistle. Obediently, they were the coach sped to the airport where the three each Then I decided to plane was waiting Unfortuna. Dette over to Craven Cottage tely the cabin and including to see Fulbam play Inswich tely, the cabin staff, including to see Fulham play Ipswich the pilot, had not been able to tear themselves away from the "Ipswich were then borrom of exciting match and missed the the first division. If Chelsea

> No doubt it was the resourceful Peter Rubinson, Liver-pool's ever efficient secretary, ho persuaded taxi drivers to battle against the crush to reunite crew and travellers.

Value for

Freak Christmas results may indicate more about the diges-tion of the footballers than their true ability, but they liave given some fortunate spectators unusual value for ford and last season I heard of their money. Scott Cheshie, a scorid and last season I heard of their money. Scott Cheshie, a scorid and Australian who arrived on life-long active Cheshes suphim threaday, watched Liverpool porter despite now living near on Saturday and flow home on Stoke-on-Trent, remembers the Monday carrying no more to Christmas of 1963 with the

show for his visit than a pro-gramme and a cheap lapel being one of the fortunate few who decided to watch two matches in London on Boxing of Irish-Liverpool supporters.

Town in the afternoon.

"Ipswich were then bottom of had been playing nearer town I would have seen them but they were at Blackpool. Fulham won 10-1, Leggat scored tour and Howfield three. The Mullery, Robson and Haynes".

But that was not the end of rois Christmas story for 48 hours later West Ham played at Blackburn and won 3-1 and two days later Ipswich beat Fulham 4-2 at Portman Road. Scott, a retired schoolmaster with an eye for football statistics, may never again see so many goals in one day but Chelsea, now managed by Geoff, Harrst who was with West Harrst in those days, are scoring often enough to keep him entertained.

Norman Fox 👌

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A MORE DANGEROUS DECADE

he world as a whole devoted out £212,000m to military menditure in 1978. This is four mes as much as in 1960, or venty per cent more at constant ices. The trend is unlikely to ve changed in 1979. The fastest ie has been among developing untries, the steadlest that of e Warsaw Pact, but Nato still tspends all other groups-annwhile about 660 million ople in the world cannot afford sic necessities and something e eight million children died 1979 from hunger or illnesses ated to malnutrition. Yet the ld's population continues to w faster each year.

igures such as these, taken m a report sponsored by the rld Council of Churches, tell at least three things. First, s only in the advanced coun-s of the West that the central erience of the 1970s was the overy that the party was y never began. Second, manis quite extraordinarily bad nanaging its affairs in a spirit enlightened self-interest, d, but not least, the world become a more dangerous e in the 1970s.

lse hopes burst

oking back it is extraordihow many false hopes rose bubbles in the 1960s to burst ie 1970s. The United States ght it could police the world: hrushchev thought he could ake the United States; rman Mao and his disciples ne West thought they had i a new true road to commu-Fidel Castro thought he

set Latin America ablaze revolution; Mr Dubcek th he could reform commuwith Soviet consent; the nts of the western world the they could transform own societies; Mr Wilson ht the white heat of techy could forge a new Britain; rn consumers thought they on an endless escalator to erity; western statesmen ht that with enlightened rogrammes this prosperity be shared with the third : and gradually there was a burgeoning hope that as unism mellowed the super s could bridge their differsufficiently to bring the secure and lasting peace. course the decade was not

at as that. Disillusion was y setting in earlier, and orld's two main models ilready losing adherents as nited States sank deeper is defeat in Vietnam and viet Union invaded Czechoia. But it was in 1973 that crisis impressed upon the mind a really acute sense limits not only on material ces but on the ability of endeavour to solve the roblems before it-the shortage, inflation, unement, poverty and war. bly the seventies are abelied the decade of lost is and even if the illusion itless prosperity was enby only a few small priviareas of the globe the im that radiated out from areas raised expectations developing world as well. he end of the seventies nodel has proved flawed;

grey normalcy; and although the solid centres of the world's democracies have held much better: than many people expected there is little sign of the
confidence which this ought to
engender. The feeling persists
that problems are accumulating
faster than man's ability to cope
with them, that irrationality is a
stronger force in world affaire stronger force in world affairs than many had bargained for, and above all that the two super powers are failing to live up to the responsibilities which their power imposes on them. It is this last factor which makes the looming energy shortage even more menacing than it would otherwise be.

The agreements signed by Mr Nixon and Mr Brezhnev in 1972 were always flawed by the fact that they papered over different concepts of détente. The Soviet Union claimed the right to continue manoeuvring for advantage; the United States clung to unreal hopes of a stable world. Nevertheless, even limited areas of agreement and cooperation were better than none, and there was reason to hope that competition between the two powers could gradually become less dangerous. Not everything from those days has been lost—among other things the governmental apparatus of each state probably understands the other a great deal better than before—but there remain gulfs of mistrust and misapprehension. Mutual confidence has certainly declined, and so has the confidence of each power in its ability to influence events.

Soviet build-up

The Soviet Union has used the seventies for a steady build-up of its military power which has brought it level with the United States in some respects and ahead in others. The uses to which this power can be put are being demonstrated in Africa and in Afghanistan. In Europe it will be overwhelming if Nato's modernization programme falters. With a tightly closed system of government approaching an unpredictable change of leadership the West cannot risk putting the most generous interpretation on these changes. It may well be that the build-up represents no more than the over-insurance which has always been traditional in Russia. Perhaps it also represents a compensation for the steadily failing ideological appeal and inner confidence of the Soviet Union. If the "scientific laws of " can no longer be relied history upon it becomes more necessary people do not want your ideology they may still be interested in your weapons. Nevertheless, the West must respond to the military facts, and these are worrving.

The United States is proving in its different way as unpredictable as the Soviet Union. It too is facing a contest for the leadership, though fortunately in the open. More worrying is the fact that since the defeat in Vietnam it has lacked a generally agreed concept for dealing with the Soviet Union. Dr Kissinger was frequently at odds with Congress; now there are divisions both within the Administration and within Congress. Public opinion has swung from total reluctance to support any American inter-

ventions abroad to an almost bellicose response to events in Iran. Mr Carter has abandoned his earlier hopes of substantial arms reductions to the extent of asking for five per cent more money for defence, and he is training special forces for possible intervention abroad.

This in itself is not to be criticized, but taken over the past decade American policy has been insufficiently steady to inspire confidence in either allies or adversaries. This is exemplified by the extraordinary spectacle of a relatively modest treaty on limiting strategic weapons, negotiated under three presidents, remaining stalled in the Senate. To put it bluntly, a major nation whose governmental system cannot negotiate, sign and rarify an international treaty in reasonably good time and order must carry a lot of the blame for relationships that go sour. It is, as the Americans say, no way to run a

Lessons for both

Yet even if the two super powers were on better terms they would probably still feel that the world was slipping from their grasp. Both are now aware of how difficult it is to translate their power into effective political influence. The Americans have seen themselves defeated in Viernam, humiliated in Iran and only to a very limited extent able to bring peace to the Middle East. As the dollar falls they slowly face the implications of their dependence on foreign oil. Their feeling of being uniquely favoured among nations is weakening.

The Russians are going through comparable experience. They are no longer able to fit the world into ideological categories. In Africa, Iran. the Middle East and eastern Europe there are forces at work which, even if they sometimes swing the tide in favour of the Soviet Union. cannot be controlled or predicted. As their economic growth slows almost to a halt they must also be losing the feeling of being masters of their own fate. The socialist world turns out to be as vulnerable and as intractable as the rest.

There could scarcely be a worse moment for the super powers to be feeling both helpless and on bad terms with each other. World demand for energy and some vital raw materials is rising faster than supply and. there is no prospect of early change. This points straight to competition for scarce resources. There are few easier ways of stumbling into war. Given the diffusion of power in the world, the difficulty of controlling client states, and the dangerous proliferation of nuclear weapons, it is too much to expect the Soviet Union and the United States to keep the peace alone, but a great deal can still depend on whether they work together or against each other. Their rivalry is irreconcilable to the extent that it is not only about power but about genuinely different views of the nature of man and society, but it cannot be in the interests of either to carry it to the point of endangering peace. More through the failure of good intentions than the triumph of bad, that point looks nearer now than it did ten years ago.

'r G. M. Watson n glad to read for the first nore accurate account of the sere in the River Plate area ime Graf Spee was scuttled December 13)

of the River Plate

bright revolution has

to corrupt savagery or

man in the street", well by press, radio and there was no question but r the Horizon there lay, wait-Graf Spee to emerge and title, Achilles, Ajax, the gunned replacement for from the Falklands and, ill Dunkerque which out-Graf Spee. Moreover, Ark nd I think it was Renown unding down from the vici-Rio. Of course it was all was shown a few days later k Royal and Renown rurned tio, having been pounding om Capetown. All credit to

uralty. at the wrecking of Graf re control is only a myth-here was no public question at. Ajax knew the Punta del a well, having regularly had practice there. When she illes were trailing Graf Spee te coast (Exeter being a ce by then). Ajax from her ce by then), Ajax from her astern, slipped into terrinters behind the Isla de
put on full speed and
ahead of Graf Spee. From
age position she got in the
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and only hotel overlooking
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stout support. there was no certainty te intentions of Captain until acarly the end -not at dockside. She had sea when war was declared

and had a large number of trainee crew aboard. They had never been under fire before and reputedly had not shown up very well. It was not clear whether the crew was being thinned down or reduced to skeleton

On leaving harbour, Graf Spee went up the usual dredged channel, but when, a mile or so up, she turned to starboard over the shallows towards Buenos Aires, it became clear site was going to be scuriled. For many years the wreck was clearly visible from the night ferry which went over the shallows, there is the disappeared when I last flew over the scene in 1963. As indeed it had from public memory, for the aircrew had not the slightest idea what I was talking about! Yours faithfully, G. M. WATSON, 54 Eaton Mews South, SW1.

December 13.

Assault on Mr Docherty

From Mr Francis Bennion Sir, A serious issue is raised by Sir, A serious issue is raised by your leader (December 11) on what you call the "strange and hasty" decision of the police not to prosecute hooligans who attacked and seriously injured Mr Tommy Docherty. In its legislative processes, Parkament spends much time and trouble deciding which acts and omissions should be punishable as crimes, and what the maximum punishments should be. But it does nothing about the equally it does nothing about the equally important question of when crimes should be prosecuted, and when

In the 1960s, the Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis adopted a policy of not prosecuting gaming clubs and (at the instance of Mr Raymond Blackburn) was rebuked for doing so by the Court of Appeal. Also in the 1960s, the Southend police adopted a policy of not prosecuting shoplifters and were rebuked for doing so in a House of Lords for doing so in a House of Lords debate. After the Sexual Offences Act. 1967, had decriminalized con-senting homosexual acts by adults in England and Wales the prosecut ing authorities in Scotland adopted a similar policy, although the law there was unaltered. There continues to be criticism of this policy in Scotland. These examples illustrate the confusion that prevails. Apart from general prosecution policy, there are many reasons why specific offences are not prosecuted.

specific offences are not prosecuted. A prosecution may cause disproportionate harm by fomenting labour unrest, or add to the distress of a victim of crime, or harm an offender who is in poor health or of advanced years. It may be in the interests of justice to spare a criminal who is prepared to turn Opeen's evidence, or would not Queen's evidence, or would not otherwise travel from abroad to testify, or is to be exchanged for hostages. The prosecuting authority may consider an offence technical or obsolete, or for other reasons not worth prosecuting. He cannot in any case prosecute more than a small fraction of offences, because of limitations of manpower and other resources.

I suggest the time has come for

Parliament to work out detailed principles of enforcement policy and embody them in a Penal En-forcement Act. Obviously this must leave room for discretion, but prose-cuting authorities would have the curing antiorities would have the broad guidance they need to satisfy the public interest and produce fair-ness and consistency. I have made detailed recommendations to this end in evidence submitted to the Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure.

Yours sincerely, FRANCIS BENNION, 24 St Aubyns,

Hove. East Sussex.

Zionism and Israel From Mr D. D. Keats

Sir, Mr Asquith (December 22) does not think that "the elimination of Zionism" would also mean the elimination of "Israel". Has he ever visited Israel?

Has he not a copy of the Oxford English Dictionary, which defines "Zionism" as noun "for movement resulting in re-establishment of a Verside to the control of a Jewish nation in Israel "? Yours faithfully, D. D. KEATS, 2 Heathgate, NW1. December 23.

airport

From Mr W. D. Peters Sir, As a member of the Advisory Committee on Airport Policy, I feel I can now comment upon the recom-mendations made by that body and the decision announced by the

Government. All through the debate on the All through the debate on the need for and placing of a new airport, two matters have been constantly ignored or under-played. Firstly is the desirable economic effects that an airport can have and, secondly, the advantageous or disastrous effects it can have on regional planning in any area.

The descloyment of Stantage.

The development of Stansted, even over an elongated period, would clearly be the opposite to what was intended in the South East Regional Plan. That document was prepared in full consultation with the Government and local authori-ties in that region and is a very well rehearsed and properly docu-

went remarked and properly docu-mented policy.

What is often forgotten is that there is as much cost in money terms and certainly as much effect, in the provision of housing, schools and other facilities that would be needed to service the airport in any situation and the unhappy effects which would be created around the Stansted area.

My main argument however, rests on the fact that I have never been convinced: (a) that the airport needed to be in the South East Region, and (b) that the advantage ours economic effects on the diversion of air traffic to other regions has been investigated to any great extent.

I know that the examinations of the short-listed sites in the South East Region have been exhaustive and far reaching. Similar investi-gations of any depth have never taken place on airports or sites outside the South East.

It would now seem from the Gov-ernment statement that many of the doubts about the timing of the need doubts about the timing of the need for an airport or its ultimate capacity, are arcepted by the Minister. He accepts the argument that I have pursued now over several years that we must make full use of existing assets, in particular those at regional airports.

I would have thought that whilst is independent necessary to remove

it is absolutely necessary to remove from the other sites in the South East the potential blighting which indecision may cause, nevertheless, before any build-up or reservation of new land at Stansted is under-taken, the full effects on regional planning and the true costs of urban expansion should be set in the balance.

. Referring back to the economic expansion argument, I understand from your own columns of December 19 that, from the latest tables of unemployment, in the West Midlands the percentage of unemployment is 50 per cent above that in the South Feet

in the South-East.

In the sizing and timing of the need for the sizingrand timing of the need for the sizing the major investment decisson remaining this century. As a person now working in the West Midlands and knowing its difficulties, I would suggest that the economic benefits of such an airport either in the West Midle or some other region outside the South East need to be fully investigated before the Stansted decision is committed.

There are many positive arguments yet to be considered; I remain unconvinced that we need to put all the economic growth potential in the South East. Yours faichfully, W. D. PETERS, Green Roof. Church Lane. Lower Broadheath, Near Worcester.

Blank expression From Mr R. G. Norton

Sir, Allais' Anaemic Girls, Mr Kington (December 24) is in error. This is undoubtedly a land-scape painting in Caradec's book, where the caption was misplaced The author was misled by the signature on the back of the painting, which has been placed parallel to the long edge. But, as Allais himself said in a letter to Mile Virginie Ducarré, now preserved in the Bibliothèque Nationale, this was a prope of mischief on his was a piece of mischief on his part. The actual painting was made in the portrait format. More regrettable is that the

More regretable is that the Modern Reconstruction is the wrong shape. I have been able to determine that the example at the Academy is approximately 17 millimetres too short, which makes a nonsense of M Allais' carefully contrived proportions. I should like to see this corrected before the exhibition closes. In matters of exhibition closes. In matters of this kind, expense should not become a consideration. Yours faithfully, R. G. NORTON The Old Rectory,

Monks Risborough, Buckinghamshire. December 24.

First-class post From Mr M. R. L. Robinson

Sir, On Wednesday, December 12, we discovered that my wife's 10-year passport had just expired. We were due to leave for abroad the following week.

I telephoned the Passport Office, Monmouth. I was told to obtain a renewal form from a post office, to complete and send it with the old passport, two photographs and old passport, two photographs and the remittance to the Passport Office, Moumouth, marking the envelope "Very Urgent". I old so. The letter caught the 18.15 post from Church Stretton for recorded delivery.

The new passport arrived at our fairly remote hill village just over 36 hours later by first post Friday, December 14. December 14.

We often decry ourselves. How agreeable to be able to record such efficiency, especially at the time of Christmas mails and when passport offices are busy, which few, if any countries could match.

Yours faithfully, M. R. L. ROBINSON.

Minton House, nr Church Stretton, Shropshire. December 16.

Placing of the new Protecting individual liberty

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Lord Shawcross, QC Sir, Like your main leading article on December 18, I greatly deplore the two recent decisions in the House of Lords in the case of Express Newspapers v MacShane and Commissioner of Inland Revenue v Rossminster Limited. Not a day passes without some fresh erosion of the rights of the subject, and our Supreme Court has recently exhibited a degree of pusillanimity in its defence of individual liberty against the constantly growing power of the state and the big battabous and, indeed, also in its interpretation of the criminal law as in a recent Companies Act case where only two out of the five lords of appeal showed much practical appreciation of the issues involved. appreciation of the issues involved. In the Express Newspapers case, moreover, I fear that the crumb of comfort which you sought to derive from the speeches of the learned Lords of Appeal has little substance. It is not, I think, the case, as you suggest, that four out of five of their lordships "rejected the purely subjective test" of whether what was done was in furtherance of a trade dispute. As I read their

was done was in turnerance of a trade dispute. As I read their ordinions, only Lord Wilberforce decided that there must be an objective test, although I find it hard to conclude whether Lord Salmon inclined to the objective or subjective view. It would, however, he very difficult to find in Lord Diplock's opinion any "inadvertence" on this opinion any "inadvertence" on this most important point and the fact is that the three law lords constituting the majority held that the test was subjective. The result must therefore be presumed to be that if the trade union officials concerned honestly (although mistakenly) believe that what they are doing is in furtherance of a rade dispute in furtherance of a trade dispute, the law will not intervene to protect the subject however shockingly illegal their conduct might be if done by others. As you rightly say,

As for the Rossmanster case, the crumb of comfort, if such it is, which you find in the opinions is, I am afraid, equally meagre. You prefer the judgment of Lord Salmon yet Lord Salmon did not dissent from the majority on the ground that the Statute did not permit "early morning raids" of the kind complained of but on the much narrower and more technical ground complained of but on the unch narrower and more technical ground that the learned Common Serjeant who authorised the warrant had not satisfied himself that there was reasonable ground for suspecting that any tax fraud has been committed in the particular case. This, like several other assumptions in the learned law lords' opinion seems to have little support in the evidence and was. I think, not even suggested in the courts below nor argued in the House. It appears to be contrary

the law so interpreted must be

the House. It appears to be contrary to the fact and is quite unfair to the Common Serieant. The real mischief of the decision is one for which all five law lords share responsibility and is, as you correctly observe, that it involves a judicial interpretation which diminishes rather than protects "the rights of the individual against potentially oppressive conduct by the more powerful." It is we'll that Lord Denning and a few others should raise more robust voices in protection of those rights even if, as in these two cases, they seem to be raised in vain. We need now and have, indeed, for some time, a bill of human rights to reaffirm these individual liberties

and electoral reform to ensure that the will of the electors is fairly represented in Parliament. If we had the second we would get the Yours truly,

HARTLEY SHAWCROSS, 33 Lombard Street, EC3. December 27.

the teaching activities of Dr Hans Küng. As a scientist, I have been trained, and am naturally inclined, to question all received knowledge, including the Catholic faith which I profess and practise. Once the pro-Answering Vatican charges From the Reverend Stephen Harris Sir, Your Religious Affairs Corressir, Your Kengious Affairs Correspondent, Mr Longley, reports only that four leading Anglicans were approached by The Times for comment on the Vatican ban on Professor Hans Küng (December 20). Does he forget that Dr Küng regards the essential renewal of his church as "fulfilling the justified demands of Lutherans, Calvinists, Orthodox, Anglicans and Free Churchmen in or Lumerans, Calvinists, Orthodox, Anglicans and Free Churchmen in the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ"? Dr Küng's Free Church readers have been as enthusiastic as any. He even claims for the Roman Church the tradition of reform, quoting, among other things, the summoning of the Fourth Lateran Council by Pope Innocent III proper reformationem univertraining and background.

III propter reformationem univer-salis Ecclesiae. salis Ecclesiae.

Since his book, On being a Christian, appeared in English translation three years ago, it has been the most comprehensive, readable, incisive and scriptural apploacy for the historic faith available from any tradition for ministers to put into the hands of laymen. Such a voice cannot be allenced; but I grieve for the Church that any attempt should be made to do so.

made to do so.

Hans Küng's final paragraph headed "Human existence trans-figured by Christian existence" is the latest restatement of the great tradition of Christian humanism, I commend it, Sir, to your readers as a singularly appropriate nutshell at this season of great joy.

Yours faithfully, STEPHEN HARRIS, The United Reformed Church,

Harrold, Bedford, December 20.

From Dr A. J. Morris Sir, It is particularly saddening that the magisterium of the Catholic Church should choose to restrict cess of inquiry commences, it some-times becomes clear that there is an apparent conflict between the scienzific outlook and many of the tenets of religion. The doubts which are thereby evoked need resolution and in this situation one turns to the theological community for aid. Unfortunately, most theologians fail to address the relevant questions, perhaps through a lack of scientific Such remarks cannot be levelled

against Dr Kung who, in the course of his writings, has faced many of the issues directly in a spirit of scientific inquiry. The answers given may not be complete but they do point in the right direction and indicate ways of resolving the conflict. At the very least, one sees in this type of robust inquire the in this type of robust inquiry that here is a man who really does believe that religion is not just the invention of the human mind and can, therefore, withstand any genuine probing. I wonder if those who seek to restrain him have as great a faith. A. MORRIS.

12 Closeworth Road, Farnborough, Hampshire. December 19.

From Mr Eliot Hodgkin Sir, Mr Patrick Wall writes (December 27) "we all want to see the reunion of Christendom". Why is this always assumed? A Gallup Poll on the subject would be interesting. Yours sincerely, ELIOT HODGKIN, Durham Place, Chelsea, SW3. December 27.

The abominable snowmen

Sir, Since I first raised the question of the Abominable Snowmen in

your letter columns on July 17,

1937, there have been at least 20 reliable sightings of mysterious tracks in the snows of the Hima-

lava, and strange cries have also been heard in the mountains which could not be accounted for. The

latest of these was in the report of an RAF officer in your issue of

December 24, 1979.
Many of the sightings have been

made by mountaineers who have had wide experience of snow tracks

in the high mountains such as Shipton, Smythe and Hunt. (Incidentally, I also saw some of these tracks during the Kamer Expedition in 1931.) In addition, a member of the Alpine Club has described how

he saw at close quarters some one or some thing that might well have

been a snowman. So, although the evidence so far has been almost

entirely circumstantial, surely the time has now come to acknowledge the existence of this fascinating

Hon Vice-President, RAF Mountaineering Association, 59, Chester Row, SWI.

E. BENTLEY BEAUMAN.

Behind closed doors

From The Master of Charterhouse

Sir, Your London Diary (December

27) gives welcome advance publicity for a book on Thackeray coming out next autume, but in so doing conjures up an air of mystery and rediscovery not justified by the facts. It may well be true that Mrs.

Norman-Butler has not seen our Thackeray collection for over 30

years.

It is not true that the cupboard has been locked for years, or that "they have not been able to find the keys until now". A steady stream of researchers, often extremely learned and almost invariably courteous, applies to the Registrar or the Master for leave to

mine the papers. Such leave, with

the keys, is readily given, free of charge, and often, as on this occasion, further material is made

species?

available.

Yours frichfully, OLIVER VAN OSS,

Charterhouse, EC1.

Yours, etc.

From Wing Commander

Bentley Beauman

EEC aid to Ireland

From Mr John D. Taylor, MEP for Northern Ireland (Ulster Unionist) Sir, The Government must be congratulated for its veto of the EEC proposals for distribution of the Non-Quota Section of the Regional Fund. The Quota Section gives a 27 per cent allocation to the UK and it was hoped that in order to strengthen Community investment and regional development in the proper regions the new Non-Corre source nations, the new Non-Quota Section would have given the UK more than 27 per cent. Alas, there was no such provision and instead the Non-Quota allocation was being increased for richer nations such

as France.
Likewise the Non-Quota proposals for the cross frontier scheme between the UK and the Republic of Ireland are discriminatory. In the Republic of Ireland, all five counties along the frontier were to be aided by £10 million, whereas in the UK, y specially selected district as within the four counties, along the frontier were to be aided by £5 As a Member of the Regional

Policy Committee, I enquired why there was not to be £10 million for there was not to be £10 million for the UK as there was for the Republic of Ireland and I was told that this would be impossible as it would increase the UK's share of the Non-Quota Scheme to over 27 per cent. Likewise, when I queried the pro-posal not to aid the frontier coun-ties in Northern Ireland, as was the basis in the Republic of Ireland, I discovered that this was a previous discovered that this was a previous arrangement agreed between the last Labour Government and the Dublia Government. The net result of this arrangement is that the cross of this arrangement is that the cross frontier scheme in the UK was to be limited to seven districts, six of which have pro-republican majorities, and that the other five within the UK frontier counties have been excluded. Needless to say, all five excluded districts have pro-British majorities. The suggestion that this REC cross frontier proposal should be restricted to encourage tourist development and rural crafts in such areas as Crossmaglen, Carrickmore or the Bogside is discrimination at its worst. It is unfortunate that the last Labour Government agreed to this Dublin proposal.

Yours sincerely, Yours sincerely,

JOHN D. TAYLOR,

intolerable.

As for the Rossminster case, the From Professor Hugh Thomas, and

others

Sir, The Department of the Environment is proposing to sell the reserve property held by Her Majesty's Government in Bloomsbury. If this is done, it will be far more difficult for Her Majesty's Government to reconsider the whole problem of resiting the British Library.

The present plans for such resiting will be enormously costly and are vigorously opposed as positively harmful by many men of letters and scholars, and others who use the Library.

A new site for the

British Library

Library.

A report setting out detailed objections and making alternative proposals has been sent to the Minister for the Arts. No reply to

Minister for the Arts. No reply to the arguments has been received, although these proposals would save at least £200 million (as well as large and increasing running costs) and would preserve Panizzi's Reading Room and the King's Library for their original purpose.

We know how difficult it is to reconsider plans already approved but this is an important national

but this is an important national issue. We urge the Government not to tie their hands by an early sale of the Bloomsbury site, remembering that the Conservative Manifesto included both reduction of public expenditure and preservation of the national heritage. Yours faithfully, Hugh Thomas. Hugh Tretor-Roper. 1, A. Shaptro. John Hate.

John Hale, Shirley Letwin. M. H. F. Wilkins. Anionia Fraser, C. Veronica Wedowood 29 Ladbroke Grove, W11. December 22.

Taking cycles by rail

From Mr P. M. Haydon Sir, I refer to the recent article about the conveyance of bicycles by

train (December 7).

The free cycle scheme was introduced in 1977 with the object of promoting optional and leisure rail with two years' experience of the scheme behind us, we have found that an increasing number of comparts of the scheme behind us the facility of the scheme behind the scheme behind the scheme the scheme behind the scheme the scheme

muters have been using the facility to bring their cycles into London and this has created considerable problems at peak times. Our main task in London and the South East is the mass movement of people, and rolling stock is designed with limited van space or in some cases none at all, in order to make the maximum amount of room available for passengers. There have been:

(i) delays to trains because of the loading and unloading of cycles. (ii) conflict between passengers and cycles on platforms, staircases and at barriers.

(iii) many examples of inconsiderate behaviour by cyclists, who ride across concourses and along platforms. The situation is further compli-cated by the introduction of new rolling stock with sliding doors.

which has no guard's van.
In the interests, therefore, of the majority of our customers, we have tound it necessary to impo on cycle conveyance at peak times in 1980. Restrictions are not applied lightly and we shall be reviewing the situation later in 1980. Yours faithfully,

P M. HAYDON. Passenger Manager (Marketing), 222 Marylebone Road, NW1. December 21.

Selling the Warwick Vase

From Mr Alec Clifton-Taylor Sir, If Glasgow City Council is really so hard pressed to find the money to house the Burrell Collection (report, December 24) there is, I would suggest, one object which might be sold without detracting in any way from the overall quality of that marvellous assembly of objets d'art, and that is the Warwick Vase.

A more unBurrell-like object it would be difficult to find. I do not believe that Sir William would have considered for a moment acquiring so absurd a piece: an example of folie de grandeur, surely, that has very little to do with art. If it is true that American

museums were interested, why, even

Yours faithfully, ALEC CLIFTON TAYLOR, 15 Clareville Grove, SW7. December 24.

now, stand in their way

Undipped headlights From Mr J. A. Humphrey

Sir, The part of Peter Waymark's article today (December 21) detailarticle today (December 2) retailing new equipment to he installed in vehicle testing stations, particularly the new facilities for checking headlamp alignment, is encouraging. headlamp alignment, is encouraging. However, in my experience a car passing me with its headlights dipped resolutely towards the treetops is more than likely to be less than three years old, has not seen the inside of a MOT testing station and therefore will presumably light up the night sky for a full three years before its first compulsory check. check

check.

A vehicle goes through a prodelivery check by the dealer: the
motoring organizations have headlamp testing facilities; an individual may take note of signals received from oncoming drivers—but there is no compulsion. Is there scope here for a "mini-MOT" test hefore a new car is allowed on the road? Yours faithfully. JOHN A. HUMPHREY,

Herons, Anglesea Road, Wivenhoe,

Long lease

From Mr A. L. Lowth

Sir, I have always understend a long lease to be for say 99 or 959 years, I now know differently. I have just received a draft lease to approve on behalf of a client—it has been typed on continuous but perforated computer paper and measures 24ft in length! Yours faithfully, A. L. LOWTH

import Bassitt and Hiscock. 46 The Avenue, Southampton.

The Prince of Wales will attend the annual dinner of the Over-seas Bankers Club at Guildhall on February 4.

The Duke of Kent, honorary president of the Royal Geographical Society, will attend the geographical lecture and dinner at the society's hall. Kensington Gore, on February 14.

The Duchess of Kent. as Con-troller Commandant, will attend the Women's Royal Army Corps conference at the Muistry of Defence, Whitehall, on February

The Duchess of Kent, as Chan-cellor, will visit Leeds University on February 7.

Birthdays Today

Sir Richard Beaumont. 67; General Sir Robert Ford. 36: Mr H. Andrew Freeth. 67: Mr Gilbert Hunt. 65; Dr Magnus Pyke, 71, TOMORROW: Professor Sir Hedley Atkins, 74: Mr Anthony Cripps, QC, 66: General Sir David Fraser. 59: Viscount Gage, 84: Sir Reginald Groom, 73: Air Chief Marshal Sir Edmund Hudleston, 71; Sir John Prideaux, 68: Sir Albert Robinson, 64: Lord Taylor. 69: Lord Terrington, 64; Sir David Millenek 60. 69; Lord Terrington, 64; David Willcocks, 60.

Today's engagements Exhibitions: Foksal Gallery PSP, ICA Gallery, Nash House, Carlton House Terrace, 12-8, Portraits of the East, British Museum, Great Russell Street. No. André Kertesz sixty-five years of photography, Serpen-tine Gallery, Kertsington Gar-dens, 10-4-30. World's largest model airport, Bournes, Oxford

Events for children: Traditional Punch and Judy show, Bethnal Green Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Road, 2:30-3:15; Gerry Cottle's Circus, Lillie Road recreation ground, Fulham Palace Road, 2, 5, 8. Lecture: Vesuvius 79. The 1900th anniversary of the Pompeli dis-aster. Geological Museum, Exhibition Road. 2.30. Count G. M. T. de la Bédoyère and Miss R. A. Carey
The engagement is announced between Guy, elder son of Count and Countess Q. M. A. de la Bédoyère, of Wimbledon, London, and Rosemary, elder daughter of Canon and Mrs R. C. A. Carey, of Guildford, Surrey. Walk: Discovering London, Soho;

Embankment

ground. 2. Tomorrow

Exhibitions: The Art of Bengal, Whitechapel Art Gallery, Whitechapel High Street, 11-6 tlast day). Britain at bay: The home front 1939-1945, Imperial When Missan Labbard Bayl Britain and Miss A. V. M. Davies The engagement is amount of the configuration of the War Museum, Lambeth Road, 2.30-5.30. Textile Arts of France, V and A Museum, Cromwell Road, 2.30-5.30. Camping and outdoor Jeisure arbitistics Maistern Mail Others canting and obtained Hall. Olympia, 11-7. Challenge of the chip, Science Museum, Exhibition Road, 2:30-6. Greek Folk Art. Horniman Museum, London Road, Forest Hill, 2-6.

Film: The Mysteriums, ICA Chil-dren's cinema club. Nash dren's cinema club, Nash House, The Mall, 3.

Walks: In the footsteps of Sher-lock Holmes: meet Embank-ment Underground, 11 Shakes-peare's and Dickens' Southpeare's and Dickens' Southwark; meet Monument Underground. 2. Ghosts of the City; meet St Paul's Underground. 2. January 1.

SOCIAL NEWS Beyond conventional ideas of crime and punishment

Secretary spoke about the disturbing increase of crime and violence in our society. Law and order had been an issue in the Tory Manifesto and Mr that virtue is secure. It is also Whitelaw promised "short a deterrent to those tempted to sharp shock" treatment for err. young offenders, a militaristic discipline tougher than prison or Borstal. Predictably his remarks won wide support from the public, though doubts were raised, by social workers and probation officers among others, who claimed that such motives must be understood, treatment might only harden a his inadequacies helped, and absent from the current debate is any new consideration of what punishment is and

what it can achieve.

The "tough" view is that punishment is just deserts. It is the direct consequence of wrongdoing. Punishment puts right the moral and social order which is upset by crime. Justice is enabling appropriate punishment to follow on crime. Punishment is expected to be unpleasant for the criminal,

Forthcoming

Mr F. M. Blake and Miss J. E. Robinson

and Miss J. E. Robinson
The engagement is announced
between Francis (Herbi), second
son of Mr and Mrs W. S. Blake,
of South Petherton, Somerset,
and Jane, sounger daughter of
Lieutenant-Crionel and Mrs. R. B.

Robinson, of Beechingstoke, Wilt-

Mr R. Enestrom and Miss S. R. Burcher The engagement is announced between Ronald, son of the late Mr E. W. Enestrom and of Mrs

F. E. Enestrom, of Bournemouth, Dorset, and Suellen, daughter of Mr and Mrs L. R. Burcher, of Sydney, Australia.

The engagement is announced between Nicholas Alexander, elder

son of Mr and Mrs E. C. J. Son of Mr and Mrs E. Selwyn. of Brecon, and Anne Veronica Mand, younger doughter of Mr and Mrs L. R. Davies, of Hayling Island.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

Mr Edwin John Morgan to be a Civil Service Commissioner with effect from January 2, succeeding Mr Sidney David Light as Under-

Secretary in charge of recruitment policy.

marriages

At the Conservative Party Conference this year the Home to it is irrelevant. If punishment does not teach him a tougher punishment lesson. will follow on his next misdemeanour. The punishment of crime is a signal to society

The "lenient" argue that the purpose of punishment is reform. Punishment has no in-trinsic value, indeed, it is frequently counter-productive. The criminal must be changed, and for that to happen his tendency to violent behaviour, the social cause of his malaise The polarization between the diagnosed and cured. Re"tough" and the "lenient" ligous people can be found
remains as fixed as ever. What on both sides of this debate. Crime can be seen as sin. Divine laws are broken and this must be paid for. Punishment is a form of retribution. "Lenient" Christians, on the other hand, stress the forgiveness of Jesus and the evan-gelical offer of a second chance to all sinners. Elizabeth Moberly, whose

Mr S. G. Mitchell Innes

and Miss B. A. Slavton

Marriages

Mr J. S. Cousins

and Miss G. A. Bowers

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Greater London

By the Staff of Nature

Many people are concerned that man's activities, such as the use of supersonic transport and aerosol sprays, could decrease the layer of ozone in the Earth's upper atmosphere. That layer is precious as a shield against harmful solar ultraviolet radiation.

may have a major impact on our future climate.

Hitherto, investigators have always looked at concentrations of ozone in the upper atmosphere, where most of it is to be found. There—some 15 kilometres from

There—some 15 knowners from the Earth—it reacts with the incoming ultraviolet radiation from the Sun, effectively shield-ing the Earth from an overdose of radiation. That has been the

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First Sunday after

Christmas

Mr K. C. H. Bennett

and Miss C. G. Wilson

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the engagement is autounced between Sam, only son of Mr A. P. Mitchell Innes, of Burneston, north Yorksbire, and the late Mrs Mitchell Innes, and Belinda, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Slayton, of Suttonon-Sea, Lincolnshire.

and Miss C. G. Wilson
The marriage took place on
Saturday, December 22, 1979, in
the Lady Chapel of Westminster
Cathedral of Mr Keith Bennett,
son of Mr and Mrs Hugh Bennett,
of Eastbourne, and Miss Corinne
Wilson, daughter of Dr amd Mrs
Gilbert Wilson, of London. Father
David G. Wilson, brother of the
bride, officiated.
The bride was attended by
Benedict Ball, who also served at
the Nuptial Mass. Mr John
Ashurst was best man.

it is quite wrong to see punishment as the consequence of wrongdoing. The real consequence of wrongdoing is not imposed externally but suffered internally as moral deterioration. Punishment does not correct wrongdoing by balancing the scales of justice. Punishment itself is evil. Its purpose is to warn by symbo-lizing to the wrongdoer his inner state of disorder. It is a kind of inverted sacrament. By pain or restriction the criminal is made aware of his true condition, and has a chance to

Dr Moberly goes on to argue that this symbolic theory of punishment is an improvement on both the "tough" and "lenieut" approaches. Here, punishment has a meaning, which it lacks in the "lenieut" approach, and yet it is directed towards change and chance to all sinners.

Chance to all sinners.

Elizabeth Moberly, whose lacking in the "tough" conversion, a stress rather lacking in the "tough" conversion. It is, of course, a Guilty was published last year very Christian argument, and by the SPCK, attempts a theorem. logical analysis of these dif- thoroughly Christian evalua-

argue that just as wrong can be undone by repentance, so ionocent, vicarious suffering can transform evil into good. Christianity the model this is the Atonement. But the Atonement is not an asolated event. Man is created in the image of the Trinity which implies that the human context is one of total interdependence. We live for and from each other for good or evil. Wrongdoing upsets the balance of interdependence. It is a violation of another's right to be. That is why there is a necessity for social redemption. The suffering of the innocent, the vic-

tribute to this redemption. Dr Moberly is the third member of her distinguished family to write on this subject. She is clearly indebted to the work of her great-grandrather, R. C. Moberly, on the Atone-ment, and its elucidation by her great-encle, Sir Walter Moberly. Her book has attracted some attention in theological journals, but its analysis deserves consideration

ferent approaches. This leads tion of suffering and the creaby a wider public, above the best to insights which are tive possibilities of repentance, for its insistence in asking potentially disturbing and use. Dr Moberly would want to go questions about the purpose of full She begins by arguing that further even than this and punishment which are so often questions about the purpose of punishment which are so often left unconsidered. It is unlikely that the current debate on crime and punishment will progress far without such analysis being done, preferably in consultation with police, judges, magistrates, criminolo-gists and prison officers.

OBITUARY

rchitect and designer who died

recently at the age of 87, had a wide range of talents. In his

early days he was also a

and ship interiors, including that of the Andrea Doria He

ing European periodicals con-cerned with domestic archi-

tecture and design and exerted a liberating influence on public

teste in many countries.

Gio. Poniti was born on Nov

18, 1891 in Milan, the son of
Enrique. Ponti and Giovanna

tecture. He was one of Italy's first modern architects. With Giuseppi Terragni he formed,

Mr Cecil Catling known

affectionately to generations of Fleet Street journalists as "Cat" during at least six decades, died in hospital follow-

SIGNOR GIO PONTI

Architect with many talents

painter and ceramist and Milan for the Mountecatini Com-throughout his career he pany (1936 and 1931). His most designed fabrics, light fittings notable architectural work was

was responsible for some of the best pieces of furniture produced during those years after the Second World War when Italy led the world in furniture was also chasly concerned at high office buildings. Ponti

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spent in that city, where he also In 1968 Ponti was given an hontaught at the school of archi- orary doctorate by the recture. He are the school of archi-

first modern architects. With also an honorary corresponding Giuseppi. Terragni he formed, also an honorary corresponding member of the Royal Institute as early as 1926, the Movimento of British Architects and an Institute of Architects and an honorary Fellow of the American Institute of Architects. In 1921 he martied Giulia Vimercan They had one son preceded, as a prominent ex-

MR CECIL CATLING

decades, died in hospital following a road accident shortly and when he died he was still before Christmas. He was for many years on the staff of the same with ended what is probably the longest more for which he had worked on a porten family connexion with journalism in Fleet Street's history. It spanned 125 years, beginning with his grandfather who joined Lloyd's News as a crime reporter on the Star, beginning with his grandfather who joined Lloyd's News as a compositor in 1854 and rose to become editor.

His grandfather, Thomas Catling, won distinction beyond Fleet Street when his book, My Life's Pilgrinnage, published in 1911, was hailed as a classic work on English Western Front after being compositored I loyd's News as a father, Thomas Thomas

Signor Gio Ponti, the Italian ample of the modern style, by

Terragnis Casa del Fascio (now the Casa del Popolo) ar Como. Ponti subsequently designed two large office buildings in Milan for the Montecanni Com-

the thirty-times storey Pirelli Building also in Milan, which

ing the United States, Brazil, Venezuela, Iran, Iraq and Paki-

In 1957 tie published Amate

l'Architettura, a volume of stimulating if somewhat rhap-

sodic discourses on architecture and taste which was translated into English in 1960 under the

College of Art, London. He was

president of the London Press Club in 1899.

Their successive careers overlapped, but "Car." beat them both in years of service, and when he died he was still at work at the age of 85. He was mortally injured while returning home from a Saturday dury at the Sunday Mirror, for which he had worked on a part-time basis for 30 years.

He will be best remembered

He was a Fellow of the Institute of Journalists:

he was active for half a c. . ry.
He leaves a widow.

Meanwhile, there is some evidence that the moral effects of crime on the wrongdoer are being considered, though from rather an unusual quarter. Last year British Rail started a poster campaign against fare dodging which is still running. Unlike previous accompts, in which posters simply stated the penalty for the offence, this campaign concentrates as much on the guist and anguish of being caught as on the ensuing fine or prison sentence:
"When the policeman put his hand on my shoulder I could have died of shame." Notions of shame, guilt, and moral deterioration as the real punishment of crime are not as foreign to our violent society as sometimes appears.

Angela Tilby

The marriage took place quietly in Hongkong on December 28 of Mr John Cousins, son of the late Mr L. R. Cousins and of Mrs M. B. K. Cousins, of Manor Court, Manor House, Ringwood, Hamp-shire, and Miss Geraldine Bowers, daughter of Colonel and Mrs T. I. Bowers, of Yateley Grange, Yateley, Hampshire. Demolition denial: Stocken Hall, a seventeenth century country house near Oakham, Leicestershire. The Home Office, which owns the building, denied yesterday that it intended to demolish it (our Planning

> Reporter writes). Stocken Hall, a grade two listed building, is said to have been in good condition when taken over by the Royal Air Force in 1940. In recent years the grounds have been used as a prison farm, but the house itself was left empty. The carved staircase, chimney pieces and panelling have been destroyed by

vandals, and cattle have invaded the ground

Mr Marcus Binney, chairman of Save Britain's Heritage, says the Home Office has totally neglected its duty to maintain the house since it was acquired. "This is a monstrous example of the callous neglect of a fine and beautiful country house by a Government department", he added.

The Home Office said the future of the building, the condition of which was a matter of great concern, was under discussion with various bodies, including the local authority.

25 years ago

From The Times of Thursday, Dec 30, 1954

Nairobi, Dec 29.—Caught by an armed Mau Man gang 40 to 50 strong which burned down her lonely farmhouse north of Mount Kimingop, Mrs Ame Carnelley, aged 29, was told that her life and those of her two young

and those of her two young children would be spared if she got on the first alreraft to Britain. Eventually she was allowed to go off barefooted carrying the children, David aged two and a half. Mrs Carnelley was alone at the farm. Her husband, Mr Lovat Carnelley, was at Nalvasha. 18 miles away, doing the weekly shopping. At about five o'clock yesterday afternoon the gang attacked and Mrs Carnelley decided that her only chance was to take the children and try to hide in the bush. As she ran she fired one shot from her pistol which then jammed. More terrorists came up and the

her pistol which then jammed. More terrorists came up and the mother and children were forced to stand with rifles and pistols pointed at them at short range. The most aggressive terrorist, Mrs Carnelley said afterwards, seemed to be drunk. He brandished her own carving knile in her face, but was removed by another man who not command.

The following college awards are

University news

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compositor in 1854 and rose tobecome editor. His grandfather, Thomas Catling, won distinction beyond Fleet Street when his book, My Life's Pilgrimage, published in 1911, was hailed as a classic work on English journalism. "Car's" father, Thomas Thurgood Catling, was assistant editor of Lloyd's News in later years and was well known in Fleet Street. He was LADY BALLANTRAE friends and they both comman-

F. J. B-A writes:

Having had the privilege of knowing Laura Ballanarae over many years, I wondered if I may add a few lines to the motice of her tragic and so untimely death.

Laura was a woman with a rare array of qualities. There was humility corobined with resolution; there was dignify combined with easy friendship; there were, above all, a glorious sense of humour and an abundance of common sense. New greathed with easy that in living memory, as a Governor General's wife she had no equal. On the rare occasions when Sir Bernard, as he then was, was mable to fulfil a speaking engagement, Laura with much difference would street in aird. engagement, Laura with much under the Laura Fergusson diffidence would step in and Trust. She was deeply involved

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sounding success.

Scotland; but nowhere more
than in New Zealand will she
and Laura, married two officers be remembered, for her wit,
of the Black Warch. They had wisdom, compassion and devofrom school always been best tion. GENERAL MIKHAIL KAZAKOV

Soviet Army General Mikhail After the war, having held kazakov, a former Chief of posts in various military districts, he was appointed Deputy las died at the age of 78. Commander-in-Chief of Soviet Kazakov began his military commander at the age of 19 when he joined the Red Army in the post-revolution civil war of 1918-1922. In the Second World War he became Deputy Commander on the Voronezh deavours to reconstruct the Bryansk, Baltic and Lemingrad fronts.

Medieval church carvings for university display

Until a few weekt ego, unknown share or an elaborate tomb give to vicing tourists or regular a hint of the richness of the worshippers, the choir gallery at chirteenth century work at the

century reliefs from the Ethelbert gate, taken down when the gate was respored in 1864.

The following Deputy Lieutenant commissions have been signed and take effect from January 2: Mr S. Kershen, Lleutenan-Colonel
J. R. Hanscombe: Colonel K. J. Grace:
Mr P. F. Corbett and Commodore
C. P. C. Noble.
Resignation: Major C. H. J. Fisher.
from December 31.

Science report

Climatology: Impact of ozone Staff of *Nature*higher atmospheric pressure near ments for the northern and the Earth than it does farther southern hemispheres were fed away where the pressure is lower. into the computer, the model prefor that reason the ozone in the lower atmosphere absorbs as much of the warming infra-red radiation as does the much greater concentration in the upper atmosphere. into the computer, the model pre-dicted that the increase in ozone would have made the northern bemisphere 0.2°C warmer than the southern hemisphere. Direct measurements have shown that the northern hemi-sphere is actually 1° warmer. The difference is largely due to variations in geographical fea-tures, such as oceans and areas covered with snow or ice, but

tures, such as oceans and areas covered with snow or ice, but the influence of the ozone is nevertheless significant. A simple doubling of the amount of ozone in future in the lower atmosphere

would boost the temperature by another degree.

At current rates such a doubling

At current rates such a doubling may occur by the end of the next century. The concentration of carbon dioxide is also likely to double on a similar time scale, and with a larger warming effect if two to three degrees. But those effects will be much more global, whereas any warming due to increased ozone in the lower atmosphere would be much more concentrated in the northern hemisphere.

themisphere.

The combination of the two effects might alter the climate more drastically than the changes in carbon dioxide alone, especially in the northern hemisphere.

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tration in the upper atmosphere.

The infra-red radiation in the lower atmosphere either comes direct from the Sun or it has already reached the Earth and been reflected back from the surface. Some of that infra-red radiation is absorbed by the ozone in the lower atmosphere and thereby increases the temperature. Thus the more ozone that is present, the greater its warming effect is likely to be. Fluctuations in the concentration of ozone in the lower atmosphere are therefore expected to have a significant effect on the climate of the Earth. Several recent studies have sugas a shield against marmful solar ultraviolet radiation.

Now a report in Nature reveals that the Earth's lower atmosphere is significant too. According to a team of American scientists at the National Centre for Atmospheric Research in Boulder, Colorado, variations in the ocone in the lower atmosphere, caused by man, may have a major impact on our future climate. Several recent studies have suggested that air pollution in the northern hemisphere may be responsible for an increase of ozone that has been reported in the lower atmosphere. The ozone there has been raised to concentrations significantly greater than those at the same level in the less industrialized southern hemisphere.

or ramation. That has been the principal reason for concert about decreasing concentrations of orone, for it was feared that increasing ultraviolet radiation would reach the Earth, leading to an increased the Earth, leading to an increased incidence of skin cancer. There has not been the same concern about disturbances in the lower atmosphere because only about 10 per cent of all ocone resides there. However, that ocone plays a significant role by influencing the amount of heat retained in the atmosphere. Ocone absorbs more infra-red energy at the sphere.
The team at Boulder has now The team at Boulder has now looked at the possible impact of such an increase on Earth's temperature. They used a computer model that simulates the behaviour of the atmosphere and can calculate the effect of changes such as an increase in ozone. When the recent measure-

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Miss Meriam Margaret Whitaker, of Mitcham, Surrey, who left 550,764 net, bequeathed all her property to be shared equally between the Royal National Institute for the Blind and the Royal National Institute for the Deaf.
Other estates include they before tax pad, tax not disclosed):
Hubbard, Mr Brian Fortescue, of Beautieu, Hampsbire, estate agent ... \$111,463.
Miskin, Mr Geoffrey, of Buxted, Survex, merchant £209,265.
Malton, Mr John Thomas, of Aylesbury £133,993.
Philipotts, Mr William Peter Barriett, of Stony Stratford, Buckinghamshire £176,639.
Edwards, Mr Victor Douglas, of Lewknor, Oxfordshire, garage proprietor £353,605.
Kenny, Mr James Edward, of Esher NERTFORD

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to vicining tourists or regular a hint of the richness of the worshippers, the choir gallery at Norwich Cathedral was the store-place for several hundred pieces of medieval sculpture discarded and left to gather dust for many the largest pieces in the exhibition are magnificent fourteenth century reliefs from the Ethelbert century reliefs from the Ethelbert Mr David Mauson, the cathedral

Mr David Mawson, the cathedral architect, thought that these stores were worthy of more respect and attention and he has persuaded the Sainsibury Centre for Visual Arts at the University of East Anglia. Norwich, to mount a major exhibition in which they will be displayed to the public for the first time in hundreds of years.

The exhibition will last from March 4 to May 4.

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New approximent: Nick New appointment: Nick Pocock, aged 28, has been appointed Hampshire captain next season in succession to the wicket-keeper Stephenson, who becomes the senior professional. Pocock, a middle order basman, joined the staff in 1975, He has experience as captain of his school, Shrewsbury, the Public Schools XI. and, on many occasions, the

XI, and, on many occasions, the Hampshire second eleven.

West Indies await fitness of Test pitch

Melbourne, Dec 28. — West Indies are worried about the state of the pitch for the second Test match against Australia, which begins here tomotrow. Willie Rodriguez, the manager, said he was unsure about how the bare surface would stand up to five day's play. He announced a party of 13 and said the team would not be finalized until the pitch was inspected just before the match started.

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Greg Chappell, the Australian captain, said the pitch was as bad as he had seen it, and it is likely that the sides will put more emphasis on spin bowling than usual. West indies included the off-spinner, Derek Parry, and left out the all-rounder, Collis King, while a surprise inclusion was the batsman, Larry Gomes, who has played only in minor tour games. Gomes is sulfikely to make the final 12, and if Parry plays, as expected, one of the four fast bowlers will probably be twelfth man.

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That role could go to Colin Croft. He has performed with dedication and success to date but is still regarded as number four behind Andy Roberts, Michael Holding and Ioel Gatner. The top batsmen, Vivian Richards, showed up well when the trainer, David Waight, put the West Indies party through their paces at the ground today.
Richards, who has been suffering from a hip injury, moved

Richards, who has been surfering from a hip injury, moved freely. The other casualty, Clive Lioyd, the captain; will make his first appearance in the series after missing the oriening Test because of a knee injury.

Australia, too, have strengthened

Austrana, too, have strengthened their spin attack. The leg-break bowler, Jim Higgs, and the slow left-arm spinner, Ray Bright, are in a party of 12. Peter Toohey was ruled fit to play. He had suffered slight bruising to his right foot in a practice mishay vesteriar. esterday. Tooley, who was hit on the

Tochey, who was hit on the right instep by the one-time bowler. Bruce Laird, now the side's opening batswan, had his foot packed in ice. Earlier reports suggested that the New South Welshman would have to undergo a fitness test this morning, fuelling speculation that the scene was set for the return of the former captain, Ian Chappell, to the side if he was ruled unfit. The speculation was cut short to the side if he was ruled unfit.

The speculation was cut short at the MCG this morning without even the formality of the fitness test. "Peter woke up as good as gold this morning", the Australian captain, Greg Chappell, said. "There is no need for a replacement".

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The auld acquaintance that cannot be forgot

By Douglas Rae

You could have called it the match of the day, of the year, of the age as recently as a decade ago, quoting no other testimonial than its place in the folkiore league; and even among those who have explored such fabled lands you might have got away with it. Indisputably the claim would have done nothing to integrate the two factions involved, such is the frozen wasteland, with its local fauna known as polar berzz, that divides Rangers and their blue-nosed votaries from Celtic and their wee green men.

At Ibrox Park today the noses will be bluer, the men a paler shade of green, the match itself a stub beside the ticket of old. Thirty-six thousand people will keep the bitter enemies company. In Old Firm terms that really is company rather than a crowd.

is company rather than a crowd More than the arctic wind will paur these Protestant noses a deeper hue of blue and these Catholic men a paler one and these Canonic men a paier cry of green. This is the turn of the year, of the decade, and it looks more like a turn for the worse. The players will be carrying Scotland,

Ben Nevis and all, on their backs. The spectators will have the stark look of the disenchanted, face and faith ravaged by the realization that Jock Stein will never again walk on water, not in those leaky old boots, anyway. And warming up somewhere in the wings will be the spectre of a ticketless Wemblev. Scotland has little to drink to but

much to drown, this Hogmanay Today's big match calls for a tot of the best in a toast not so much to the 1980s as to auld lang syne. For the Big Yin has grown too wee for its boots. If that sounds Irish, well it might. There is a higher whach of Padde in the is a bigger whack of Paddy in this annual bear-garden than a strait-laced Protestant cares to allow. (It is no mere coincidence that the land of Donnybrook is less than 30 miles away from Scotland at the nearest point.)

To suggest that the festive replay of the Battle of the Boyne is in any danger of kicking it would be to underestimate the independence and resilience of the Glaswegian. It is just that the rare old beast is not himself any more. He has undergone a facial. The unseemlier scars have been erased and no class debris pocks the flesh. The face is almost acceptable.

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It is as if the Old Firm thad joined the Ivy League. In such a league you will look in vain for that bizarre subspecies, the Wembley Scot. Today those felles will look like ordinary fellas in pubs. "Uryefuragemme? Gebackinrakewmac". Only that accent, that doon-the-waster Swahili achieved by bising the necks off the empties and spitting out the fragments in your face,

Imbibers of the legend will tell you that this New Year game is an orgy of orchestrated violence. Its passions so fired that they assume the shape of a broken bottle pointed at the jugular, a razor blade ever ready in the brim of a "bunnet". a switchblade in the alley of your back. Hard men to whom the occasion is a narcotic will kick your head around a back court until they lose it. And it is all vaguely, not to say Haigly, to do with the Gorbals..

All the hate of a year, so the legend goes on, is bortled up for this one day and when it is uncorked the explosion is seismic in its virulence. It is so sensitive an area that, even if you cannot tell a Charlie Tully corner kick from a single end, it could be love or hate at first sight, depending upon the colour of your eyes. Blue, and you are

the squire of Springburn; green, and you are the squire of Springburn; green, and you are fit only to be an underwater extra in Jaws.

It is Gog and Magog. The home crowd are a million light blue years away from the green men of that other planet. Parkhead Two green bellows for the

Parkhead. Two great bellows fan the fires of internecine civic sectarianism. What more could a man who is tired of life want, haemoglobin?
When people of fine southern sensi-

bilities pontificate on this annual exchange of seasonal compliments between two great clubs their imagina-tion is as unfertered—if not so informed—as BiHy Connolly's. It is true that few sporting occasions set the blood off on such mazy dribbles through the body as does an Old Firm match. You feel you are not going to a game so much as visiting an institution; or, if you are of a still deeper cast of mind, even tunnelling your way into the psyche of a city, if not a nation.

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Four decades ago Ibrox would have been playing New Year host to 120,000, 120 of whom would have been arrested. It is a different league now. The two giants square up to each other so often in the 10-team premier division that the hate can be dispensed in several small bottles instead of in the one large one at New Year. at New Year.
The tradition is strong. It exerts the

pull of a homing pigeon, even when the wings of death are bearing. That laureate of the game Hugh McIlvanney, who will be at today's stramash, wrote a decade ago in Sports Illustrated: "At least one Rangers supporter has had his ashes scattered over the centre circle at The Stadium [as Ibrox Park is specifically known] and there are tales of Celtic men being given the last rites one day and getting up to go to a match the next.

Seen in that light, the contest is not readily isolated from its context in society and that society is as schizoid as the contest Glasgow may be an



Last exit from Ibrox. Death darkens the threshold of New Year, 1971. Sixtysix lives were lost, another 66 people were maimed and a nation of 56m

obscene scrawl on a wall: it is also a school of painting. It may be a bandy-legged ship's welder from a three-in-a bunk tenement who is half-seas-over on a Saturday night in Sauchiehall Street: it is also the streamlined grace of the ocean Queens. It may be Billy Connolly's revised version of the crucifixion: it is also Salvador Dali's "Christ of St John of the Cross" at Kelvingrove.

"Ra Gemme", as it is known in the local argot, is the ambivalence of Glasgow carried to a single, collective con-summated extreme. It is a fixture haunted by its record of disaster, riot and death. The tension is so affecting that when a Celtic player nudged the referee before the teams shot out, and said he was holding the ball upside down, the referee thanked him and turned the ball the right way up.

The patter, the polis, the pools of vomit. It is the fear that gets you, the fear for the worst. But Billy Connolly has reminded us not to judge a book by its cover. No less a player than Nietzsche scores when he says that a tradition, as it grows more venerable from generation to generation, ultimately becomes holy and inspires awe. Maybe that is why, to this scribe at least, today's pint-sized and mince-pie shenanigans fall short of the glamour of the

Albion could keep the race alive

inearised defiance meaning that with luck there will not be a next time. By April Liverpool could conceivably be far enough ahead to afford United a friendly point for effort.

The result of that surprisingly one-sided Christmas match was the most significant of this half season and, in the opinion of the Liverpool manager, Bob Paisley, represented a fine example of his club's football over the past decade and an indication that it would take a special team to stop them dominating the next. For the moment, there is not a taker for his challenge. Manchester United, a much better balanced me moment, there is not a taker for his challenge. Manchester United, a much better balanced team under Dave Sexton, still need the finishing touches and the others in the van are comparatively limited in potential.

Of course it is too early to talk of Liverpool romping away with their fifth championship title of the decade, but the margin of their victory over United, tipped as the team of the eighties, was greater than 2-0. Their two point lead plus a game, in hand, provides a comforting advantage at the turn of the year and of the season. For the sake of healthy competition it would be as well if West Bromwich Albiou gave everyone a glimpse of the quarry by beating Liverpool at the Hawthorns this afternoon.

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Boxing

there is not much evidence for predicting a slip by Liverpool but they have not always been impres-

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent

Manchester United left Anfield on Boxing Day saying that things could, though not necessarily would, be different when they met Liverpool at Old Trafford in April. It sounded a little like the schoolboy running from some playeround brawl mirrouring "you walt" with that half-hearted defiance meaning that with luck there will not be.

Stre at Albion's ground. Last club above them to one with Arisenal, one place teneath. Both-home scorer being Cunningham, how departed to Spain. Apart from a few tremors at the start of this season, Liverpool's ability has remained unquestioned while Albion have been reshaped and suffered injuries that have cost them a high place in the league and some of their flair.

Liverpool's consistency over

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Liverpool's consistency owes much to the unchanging shape of their team. A rumour that Dalglish was out of the side to play Manchester United proved false but a journalist colleague from that area remarked that it was the only way to persuade people to buy the local newspaper. Today Liverpool are unchanged for the twelfth successive match. Their substitute, Fairclough, deserves a loyalty bonus.

Ron Atkinson, Albion's manager, said: "In all honesty I can't remember off hand the last time Liverpool dropped a point. I saw them at Derby last week and thought they looked a super ream. We will have to play to our maximum to match them tomorrow". For the record, Arsenal took a point from Liverpool on notion - For the record, Arsenai took a point from Liverpool on November 24. Liverpool's last league defeat was at Nortingham Forest on September 29, which was 14 matches ago. The only anomaly in this record of success was their implified to match Design. was their inability to match Dyna-mo Tbilisi in the European Cup. That kept adulation in proportion.

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A 3—0 win over Bristol City on Boxing Day encouraged Ablom but this afternoon they may be without Owen, who has muscle injuries in the leg. If he is passed fit, the team will remain the same, Otherwise Mills or Alistair Brown will be included.

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Manchester United go directly from a match against the only from a match against the only sign. Stevens again takes the position in the defence.

Complaining Tottenham Hotspur supporters are blamed for a transfer request by Colin Lee, who joined the club two years ago and scored four goals in his first game. He said yesterday: "A section of supporters have ruined my confidence. I have got to get away"."

changed team, Nelson still being omitted. Considering that they have con-

ceded twice as many goals as Liverpool, Southampton have done well to move into fourth place level with Norwich City. Both clubs have limited resources by comparison with the three above them. Today Southampton should not be stopped by Bolton Wan-derers, who have won only one first division match this season tirst division match this season and must give filmess tests this morning to Gowling. Morgan and Cantello. Southampton have asked their third choice goalkeeper, Har rison, to stand by in case the two senior goalkeepers are unavailable because of minor intuities.

juries. Further encouragement Further encouragement for Brighton came with a convincing 3—0 win over Crystal Palace on Boxing Day. They have taken 10 points from their last seven games but Suddaby, who has played an important part in the revival. misses today's game against Manchester City because of a suspension Stevens again takes the

Rugby Union

Bristol stand in the way of the Llanelli bandwagon

By Peter West
Rughy Correspondent
Peter Aforgan, heir presumptive
to J. P. R. Williams as fullback
for Wales, will play in that position for Llanelli against Bristol at
the Memorial Ground this afternoon. This is at the request of the
Welsh selectors, whose national
party assemble for training next
week-end, a fortnight before the
international championship begins
in Cardiff with the visit of France. in Cardiff with the visit of France. With six successive wins behind it. Llanelii's bandwagon is rolling impressively once more, and the news from Stradey Park is that Phil Bennett, who has been out of rantion since October, hopes to start playing again next month. It may not be long either before another of their talented backs, David Nicholas, is back in business as

or their talented backs, Dayto Nicholas, is back in business as well.

For the moment Bristol may feel they have enough on their plate facing a three-quarter line composed of J. J. Williams, Roy Bergiers, Ray Gravell and Jeffrey Griffiths, the last named having been the Welsh try-scorer against Romania in October.

The Bristol and England full-back, Alastair Hignell, has started light training again and expects to resume playing in a formight. If all goes well, he might just be in continuon for a place in the England side when they play their some inchamplonship match, in Personal absentee, David Sorrell, should be back in action rather somer. But, meanwhile, Bristol have been doing pretty well without two such key players.

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International, is in the wars following a collision with his Welsh counterpart, Gareth Davies, in his club's game against the Barbarlans on Thursday. Davies went off with a painful shin. Later that evening, Cusworth's toe was so swollen that he feared there was a fracture, but an X-ray revealed nothing serious.

He misses today's home game against Headingley but expects to play for the Rest in England's trial next week. That staunch England prop, Robin Cowling, is another Leicester casualty. He needed four stitches to an eye injury on Thursday. Jez Krych takes over from him, as does a newcomer, Mick Poulson, from Cusworth. Tim Barnwell replaces Terry Burwell on the wing.

The former England lock, Barry Ninnes, had to miss Coventry's win over Moseley on Boxing Day but is back in their side for the

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There is an important northern merit table match, Sale v Fylde, in which both sides start with 100 per cent records. Fylde have won all nine of their merit games, and Sale all five of theirs. Bill Beaumont sees this as being the hardest match Fylde have had so far this season, and reflects that the

Rugby League

Salford seek silver lining to their gloomy cloud

the only remaining undeaten record.

They seem to have little hope of an immediate improvement. This afternoon they travel to Humberside, not normally the most hospitable place for visiting sides, to meet a Hull kingston Rovers side high in the table and anxious to recover lost pride following defeat in the floodlit cup final.

Rovers are giving lare fitness rests to Lockwood and Hall, and are still without Milward. However the Yorkshire side seem able to cope with absences much better than Salford, whose slump has coincided with the injury to their key back, Ken Gill. Ironically Gill would have missed this afternoon's fixture anyway, since he was suspended for two matches at yesterday's hearing of the disciplinary committee.

Even if Salford win today their Even if Salford win today their return to the top of the table could be transient. Tomorrow, Widnes go to Wigan, who are haunted by fears of relegation, and with Leeds and Bradford Northern taking a day off a Widnes victory would put the Cheshire side on top.

By Keith Macklin

After enjoying nearly four monits of steady and consistent first division triumphs, Sallord found their Christmas celebrations marred by Kipling's other twin imposter, disaster.

First Bradford Northern, and then Widnes, exposed the current limitations in Salford's championship challenge by winning with a little to spare. Bang went Salford's leadership of the table and the only remaining unbeaten record.

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a useful revival recently and they could take advantage of a slump by Warrington, Trinity will be without their lively second row forward, incongruously named idle, but former England Rugby Union centre, Keith Smith could be fit.

The leading second division game brings together the top two clubs, Featherstone Rovers and Oldham. Featherstone will have

to find a replacement for their winger, Marsden, suspended for two games yesterday, and possibly for an injured centre, Coventry.

Other suspensions yesterday were: D. Hossell (Doncaster) six matches: P. Woods (Hull) and matches: P. Woods (Hull) and E. Szymala (four matches each); S. Brunyee (Batley) two matches: C. Ganley (Warrington), P. Mus-croft (Hunslet), R. Wileman (Hull) and M. Nicholas (War-rington), one match cach.



Aggressive innings: Emburey turning a ball for four on the way to his 50.

posure and concentration England will need to level the series with Australia. He fell on one of the day's best balls, an outswinger from Rackemann, a broad-shouldered 15-stoner, which lifted shouldered 15-stoner, which lifted as it left him.

From 194 for six, the score when Gooch going for a lofted four, was nicely taken by a backpedalling mid-off. England owed it to Taylor, Emburey and Stevenson that the innings was still going two hours later. Taylor attempted nothing ourside his narrow range but Emburey, playing his first first-class hunings since September, straight-drove and on-drove with astonishing assurance for a man whose top score until today was 48 in more than 90 innings. He hit 8 fours in his 100-minute fifty, comnd Gower falled to take the Condy Larkins was unable to steer a lifter from out of short-leg's reach. The case caught off the insideleged of Rackemann's ll, Botham misht Hohns ed to pull, and Gower n-footed at a short ball e off-stump. Of the early only Willey, who added Gooch in an hour and riers, showed the com-

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Davis issues challenge

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ENGLAND XI: First Innings D. W. Randeli, c Langley, b

Fred Davis, celebrating 50 years as a professional in 1930, is to challenge Rex Williams for the World professional billiards championship at the Northern Snooker Centre, Leeds, next May.

challenge was made by Eddie Charlon in Australia in 1976.

Davis, now 65 and holder of the professional. World Snooker title on eight occasions, still has ambitions of equalling the record of challenge Rex Williams for the World professional billiards championship at the Northern Snooker title on eight occasions, still has ambitions of equaling the record of the title since 1968, will be defending for the fifth time The last

Milan, Dec 28 .- The world light-

championship against Rocky Mat-tioli, of Italy, next April, if the holder retains his title in a Feb-ruary defence and Mattioli wins

his bout against one of the top 10

in the WBC ratings next month, the matchmaker, Rudolfo Sabbatini, said today.

Abandoned race re-run

Berne, Dec 28.—A men's World Ski Cup downhill race, abandoned at Schladming, Austria, last Saturday becamse of bad conditions, will be re-run at the Swiss resort of Wengen in the Bernese Oberland on Jamuary 18, an International Ski Federation official said today.

The event will precede two other World Cup races at the same service of January 19, and a slalom the following day. Rain, mud and poor visibility forced organization.

Hockey

Hope may defend | Herts and Middlesex try middleweight champion, Maurice Hope, of Britain, will stake his to recapture old glory

By Sydney Friskin

It is the unfortunate lot of six hockey teams to fight for survival tomorrow instead of being free to seek more seasonal forms of diversion. The occasion is the preliminary round of the county championship, sponsored by Rank Xerox, into which Cheshire made their entrance only four days ago.

Ar St Albans, Hertfordshire made their entrance only four days ago.

Ar St Albans, Hertfordshire made in the cover lost glory, each side having won the championship three times. They met at the same place in the 1955-60 final when Hertfordshire won 2—1.

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Leicestershire, with Hamilton as their sharpshooter, travel to Brize Norton, at Caterton in Oxfordshire, to take on the Royal Air Force, whose party of 14 includes Doyle, Duerdon, Hediey and Sotton. But these resources may not be enough to hold off Leicestershire who have a strong forward line led by Both sides, unfortunately, have to take on the Royal Air Force, problems. By the time the match begins at 1.15 pm—at Mill Hill Duerdon, Hedley and Sutton. But School's all weather pitch if these resources may not be enough Clarence Park is unplayable—three Middlesex players, Owen (goal-middlesex players, Owen (goal-middlesex players, Owen (goal-middlesex players, Owen (goal-middlesex players) and Saund in Brookeman (forward) will be on close support.

Gap in the West closed

By Joyce Whitehead

The results of matthes played yesterday on hard court pitches in Cheltenham have closed the gap in the Western Counties tournament table. Gloucestershire were held to a 2—2 draw by Avon, which must have given the last named county a great boost. Cornwall beat the present championship holders. Witshire, 2—0. Rosemary Yarnold and Carol Boothroyd scored the goals

This leaves Gloucestershire at the top, but only by one point from Cornwall, Dorset and Devon.

Today there are unree key matches. Devon race Wiltshire at Chariton Park (10.30); Cornwall play Avon (2.0), followed by Gloucestershire v Somerset at Chariton Park (10.30); Cornwall play Avon (2.0), followed by Gloucestershire v Somerset at Chariton Park (10.30); Cornwall play Avon (2.0), followed by Gloucestershire v Somerset at Chariton Park (10.30); Cornwall beautiful League 3.

Miss Ruzici goes out in tense match of changing fortunes

Melbourne, Dec 23.—Virginia Ruzici, of Romania, the top seed in the Australian Open tennis championships, was eliminated in the first round of the women's singles here today. Miss Ruzici, ranked 13 in the world, fell to the Worth Australian March 25 in the Worth Company of the Wort West Australian, Mary Sawyer, ranked 152 in the world, 6-0,

In an amazing match, Miss Ruzici reeled off the first eight games before the 22-year-old Miss games before the 22-year-old Miss Sawyer turned the tables to win the next eight in a row.

After the opening set, Miss Ruzici appeared to be on the way to an effortless victory and took the first two games of the second set before the West Australian began to hit back. Miss Sawyer held service, winning her first game in the match to fall 1—2 behind in the second set. She hooke service in level the scores behind in the second set. She broke service to level the scores and then ran through the set.

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Games went with service until the fifth of the deciding set when the Romanian broke service. However, three successive breaks followed until Miss Sowyer held service to lead 5—4 and then broke again after holding three match points in the crucial tenth game. The West Australian said after the match that she had started slowly because of nerves. "I started moving around in the second set", she said. My serve was lousy but it's just as well the other things were OK." Miss Sawyer attributed her win to training over the past few days and jogging "to run off Christmas dioner".

In a sparkling return to form

In a sparkling return to form S.d Ball, of New South Wales, moved into the third round with a win in straight sers over Bill Mare, of the United States, 6—3,

He has not won a singles march He has not won a singles match since last January and has spent the year trying to lower his golf handicap and fishing near his home in Newport Beach, California.

Ball was on the brink of tossing in his career as a tournament professional. However, his morale has been given a sudden boost by two fine wins here. Ball defeated the No 4 seed, Hank Pfister, of the United States, vesterday, and the United States, yesterday, and overwhelmed Maze in today's match. John Sadri, of the United

For the record

confidence in my strength."

MEN'S SINGLES: Second round Australians unless stated: S. Ball beat W. Jace (US) 6-3, 6-4, 6-5, 6-4, Miss J. Dear M. Maheer, 7-6, 6-3, 7-6, 4-5, 6-4, Miss M. Marwick, 3-6, 4-5, 6-3, 7-6, 4-5, 6-3, 7-6, 4-5, 6-3, 7-6, 4-5, 6-3, 7-6, Miss M. Sawyer beat Miss M. Mesker Worker's Singles: First round: Miss M. Sawyer beat Miss M. Mesker Notherlands: 6-7, 6-2, 6-4, Miss J. Diamond, 1-5, 6-1, Miss J. Diamond, 1-5, 6-1, Miss J. Diamond, 1-5, 6-1, Miss J. Diamond, 1-5, 6-4, Miss M. Miss J. Diamond, 1-5, 6-4, Miss M. Miss J. Diamond, 1-5, 6-4, Miss J. Newberry (US) beat Miss J. Diamond, 1-5, 6-4, Miss J. Newberry (US) beat Miss D. Evers, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, Miss D. Evers, 6-4,

Tennis PORT WASHINGTON, NEW YORK: Junior Idurnament: Quarter-final round: Boys 1/2 Years: Q. Nasiase (Romanis: best C. Comfort, (US) 6—1.6—1. A. Padovani (Idaly) heat M. Osherov (Israel), 7—5.6—2.5. Ribertu (Brazil) best R. Brittin (US) 7—3.6. B. Oresar: Yugansawla: best C. Bloom (Israel), 7—5.6—2.5. Ribertu (Brazil) best R. Brittin (US) 7—3.6. S. Serieson (Washington), 12-5. Serieson (Was

Miss Ruzici: relinquished

States, recovered from being two sets down to beat Kim Warwick,

sets down to beat Kim Warwick, of Australia, 3—5, 4—6, 6—3, 6—2, 9—7 in the third round. Warwick battled against the heat and dizzy spells in an attempt to sustain his fine start. During the last set he served at half pace at times and ran to the net only to be beaten by a splendid passing shot from Sadri.

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Warwick said he had suffered occasional dizzy spells ever since he had hepatitis in 1973. "I didn't want to let the third set go but I just did not have the energy". he said.

After the two hours. 50 minutes' tussle, Sadri said: "I knew that if there was any way I could beat him it would be through fitness. I really have a lot of coofidence in my strength."

her early advantage.

DAVOS: Spengler Cup. Switzerland Rilling Moscow 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: New York standers 7. Montreal Canariens 5: St. 2018 Biges 5. Detroit Red Wings 2: Aural Subres. Foronto Mance Leafs: Colorado Rockets 1. Minmesota Corth Stars 5: Los Angeles Kings 3. Deceber Nordiques 0.

Deceber Nordiques 0. Siska dropping back to join the early leader, Helsel II, in the battle for third place three miles further astern

The afternoon report showed Bumblebee still 150 miles from the floish, with only 11 hours to beat the race record set by the giant American yacht, Kialoa, in 1975. The lighter conditions were

Sydney, Dec 28.—Near Millpon conditions off the east coast of Tasmania today dashed Bumblebee IV's hopes of setting a record time for the Sydney to Hobart race. After almost 24 hours of brisk 20 to 25 knot north easterly breezes the wind dropped to less than five knots as the fleet threaded its way down the Tasmanian coast.

Although Bumblebee IV, hrilliandy skippered by a Sydney businessman, John Kahlbetzer, managed to increase her lead she managed only 65 miles in the eight hours between the morning and afternoon radio positional reports.

The Sydney sloop led by 18 miles from Condor, of Burmuda

frustrating for the big yachts and threw wide open the bartle for hundicap honours. The afternoon positional report placed the 33-foot Tasmanian Salandra in the lead on corrected time, closely followed by Melbourne's Pirra and another Tasmanian half tonner Screw Loose.

New South Wales' hopes of winning the Southern Cross Cup series were considerably bosted by the continued impressive form of the Newastle one tonner Relentless, skippered by Peter Hankin. Relentless relished the lighter conditions and forged into sixth place on corrected time to place her in a strong position for outright victory in the ocean classic. classic. Britain had a disastrous day with Marionette, Yeoman XXI and Blizzard dropping back to twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth, and twenty-seventh respectively in the list of cup contenders. Britain went into the Sydney to Hobart race with a commanding 42-point lead in the series over Victoria and 63 ahead of New South Wales. But the Sydney to Hobart carries triple points.

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reduce the English challenge

By Nicholas Harling
The English challenge got off to a disappointing start when the Coventry side, Team Fiat, suffered a 10-point defeat in the first senior men's match of the third World invitation club championships, sponsored by Phillips, at Crystal Palace yesterday.

Team Fiat were always trailing to Helsinki YMCA, and they eventually went down 88—78 to the first Finnish club to appear in the tournament. Fiat seemed to be beading for a much heavier defeat when they went in at the interval

when they went in at the interval facing a 51-34 deficit. But they made a comest of the second half by pulling back to within seven points, after which they could never quite achieve the vital break-

The game was dominated by Americans, Helsinki's pair possessing more combined power and accuracy than that managed

possessing more combined power and accuracy than that managed by Flat's Greg White, who was forced to go it alone for long periods. White, ginger-haired, and oft 8in tall, was the game's top scorer with 29 points, but Fiat might have made a far closer match of it had they not employed the tournament's tallest player, 7ft lin tall, Jim Zoet, so sparingly, that he finished with only 12 points.

With three of the five permitted fouls against them before halftime, Zoet had to sit out long periods while his colleagues hat fied to contain the 6 ft 10 ins Kevin Graham (26 points) and Gerald Lee (18). Zoet, a certainty for Canada's Olympic team, eventually lasted until 33 seconds from the end. In the time he was on court his physical aerial confrontation with Graham captured the attention but it was the less conspicuous contribution of the agile Lee that prevented Fiat selling down or achieving any sort of cohesion.

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Helsinki were fortunate that Graham kept out of trouble for the last eight minutes, to see the game out with one foul to spare, but they never looked in danger of fadling to secure a place in the next round, in which they will meet the Dutch side, Parker Pen Leiden, today.

OTHER RESULTS: Windsor Omaria, 66. Ovaltine Hencel Hempstead 73. Women, pool A: Crystal Palace 50, Kohyote (Belgium 39: pool 8: Parker Pen Sc. Rank Xerox 18weden) 89.

Racing

Flying Finns | Great runner-up may be first at last | Salkeld can

Beaten into second place in four valuable races during the past 13 months, Zongalero surely nas a good chance of going one better in the Mandarin Handicap Steeplechase at Newbury today. No, horse in training deserves to win a race of this trature more than my selection, who was runner-up in the Grand National and the Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup in that period.

Inevitably a horse's courage tends to be questioned in such circumstances, but I thought that Zongalero did absolutely nothing wrong at Newbury in November winen he was beaten a length-and-a-half in the Hennessy by last season's Scottish Grand National winner, Fighting Fit. And in my opinion it is only fair to give him another chance this afternoon. Beaten into second place in four valuable races during the

In the absence of Stephen Smith-Eccles who is nursing a broken collar-bone, Zongalero will be ridden today by Bob will be ridden today by Bob Davies, as he was in this year's Grand National. Master Smudge, who finished fifth in the Hennessy, seven lengths behind Zongaiero, has been allowed 5 lb by the handicapper, but that should not be enough. Master Smudge will certainly revel in the ground, softened greadly by Thursday's rain, but he should not be nearly as fresh as Zongalero so soon after his hard race in the Welsh Grand National at Chepstow a week ago.

Chumson, who started favourite for that race, had a heavy fall Chumson, who started favourite for that race, had a heavy fall when he was brought down early on by Deiopea. It remains to be seen whether or not such an unpleasant experience has affected his confidence. If it has not, Chumson must be a danger to one and all. He was a good stayer in New Zealand where he was bred and spent his formative years. As for the others, Scroggy has not even run this season, and both New Formula and Parkhouse would have less to carry if this were an elongated handicap.

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The Panama Cigar Hurdle (qualifier) and the l'Oreal Handicap Hurdle could easily turn out to be profitable outlets for two horses who were due to have met each other in the Salmon Spray Pattern Hurdle at Fontwell Park yesterday until that meeting became a victim of the weather. The two in question are Lumen and Jack O'Lantern. Lumen (1.0) obviously has Wayward Lad to beat. An immate of the seemingly irrepressible Dickinson stable, Wayward Lad has won all his races this season, but taken overall his form is not as good as that boasted by Lumen.

Jack O'Lantern, my selection for the l'Oreal Handicap Hurdle, revels in mnd, as one might expect of a horse by Jimmy Reppin. So he

Newbury programme

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[Television (BBC 1): 1.0, 1.30, 2.0 and 2.30 races] 12.30 WANTAGE CHASE (Novices: £1,209: 2m 160yds)

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1.0 PANAMA CIGAR HURDLE (Qualifier: 4-y-o: 52,063: 2m

1.30 L'OREAL HURDLE (Handicap: £4.071: 2m 100yds)

2.0 MANDARIN CHASE (Handican: 53,908: 31m 82yds)

Newcastle programme

[Television (ITV): 1.30, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0 races]

1.0 GAME BIRD CHASE (Handicar: £1,634: 21m)

1.30 NORTHUMBRIA CHASE (Handicap: £2,326: 3m)

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2.30 LADBROKE BETCHA HURDLE (Qualifier: £1,704: 2m |

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12.30 PARTRIDGE HURDLE (Novices: 51.201: 2m 120yds)

Young Pretender rebuffed: Tarbank (right) takes the last fence to win the Elcot Novices Steeplechase at Newbury

should be in his element this after-

The high spot or the low spot of the racing at Newbury yesterday—depending on which way you look at it—occurred as the Ramsbury Hurdle reached its climax. For it was then that probably the most extraordinary incident that I have witnessed in the 18: years that I have written about racing occurred. After jumping the last flight with the race at his mercy, Random Leg suddenly swerved so sharply to his right that he almost collided with Major Swallow, who had been all of 10 yards away from him approaching the jump.

It was a manoeuvre that a snipe would have been proud of, but it saily cost the connexions of Random Leg first prize and his backers their money. So amazing was the camera patrol film it might even be given an X certificate in the Jockey club files. The only explanation that I can offer is the Random Leg's rider,

sparkle for

winter game must be noted. How-ever, Tudor Folty looked a cut above the average northern novice in his Haydock Park victory and must take a deal of beating. Meetings abandoned: There will be no racing at Worcester today. Hugo Beran, the clerk of the course, said shortly before noon today: "Tomorrow's fixture has been abandoned because the course is flooded." Yesterday's meetings at Stratford on Avgs.

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Newbury selections By Our Racing Correspondent

STATE OF COING (official): Newscattle, heavy: Leftestized Lands. 1.0 Lumen. 1.30 JACK O'LANTERN is specially recommended. 2.0 Zongalero. 2.30 Dyscole. 3.0 Intersport.

STATE OF COING (official): Newscattle, heavy: Leftestized Lands. Heavy: Catterick. Bridge, work: Warwick, heavy.

meetings at Straiford-on-Avon and Fontwell Park were aban-doned because the courses were

Cycling COLOGNE: Ske-day runni, tirst day: 1. H. Schuetr and R. Horrmann 'Gor-many-Lichtenstein', 20pis: 2. G. Eraun and W. Poffgen (Germany): 2: 3. D. Glarf and R. Pijnen (Australia-Nethorlands), 7: Weekend fixtures Kick off 3.0 unless stated First division

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Newport v Walsall (3.15) Oldham v West Ham Portsmouth v Northampton Port Vale v Aldershot

> Scottish premier division Aberdeen v Hiberman Dundee v St Mirren (P) Kilmarnock v Dundee U

> Basketball WORLD CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Crystal Palator: Men's quarter-final round: 2.15, 7.50, 9.15.

TV highlights

BEC 1
Football: Preview (12.20); Match of the Day (10.0).
Racing: Newbury races at 1.0, 1.30, 2.0 and 2.30.
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IRISH LEAGUE: Reference : Line
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(3.45). ITV Football: Preview (12.35). Racing; Newcastle races at 1.30, 2.0, 2.30, and 3.0; Leicester races at 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45. Stock car racing : Foxhall Stadium, Ipswich (3.10). Wrestling : Blackburn promotion (4.0). Golf: R/der Cup 1979 (11.45).

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Scottish first division Airdrie v Raith

Scottish second division Alloa v Queen of South Cowdenbeath v Strangaer

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Scunthorpe v Hereford (3.15)

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Wigan v Stockport

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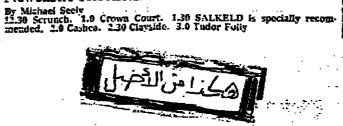
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Newcastle selections

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Personal investment and finance, pages 18 and 19

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contract with Iran expected by Chrysler UK

Chrysler (UK) is now confident that, barring any further serious political unrest or deterioration in trading conditions, its contract to supply car kits to Iran will be extended.

The company has a 10-year deal to supply parts for the Peykan, the Hunter-based model assembled by Iran National Industrial Manufacturing at its plant near Tehran. The contract is due to expire in 1980, but 12 months notice is required by each partner if it is to be terminated.

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to he terminated.

So far the contract is believed to have been worth more man £1,000m, although Chrysler has never put a value on the work. The export sales performance of the company has been badly affected by the political situation. Production at the Iran tion. Production at the Iran national plant was disrupted last year. The shipment of kits was severely cut back in the final quarter of last year and heavily reduced in the first half of 1979. This resulted in several hundred workers being laid off at Chrysler plants in the Midlands.

Midlands. Earlier this year, however, production was resumed and resh commercial arrangements finalized with the new owners of Iran National, which accounts for about two-thirds of Iran's car ourput. The proportion of finished

cars produced locally has been increasing for a number of years and this has reduced the amount of parts supplied to the

that work is slowly returning to pre-revolution levels and there are no longer any pay-ment problems. ment problems.

Over the past decade, production targets for the Peykan have proved optimistic. For 1978-79 the goal was 132,000 units but earlier this year production dropped to 4,000 a month. At the same time the plant returned to single-shift working, partly to conserve stocks at a time when supplies were uncertain.

Production has since climbed

were uncertain.

Production has since climbed to 6,500 cars a month, according to Chrysler sources. There are now plans to return to two-shift working and a predicted output of 9,000 cars a month.

The value of export sales to Iran during 1978 was £104m, This accounted for more than a half of Chrysler (UK) exports. Sales in Iran in 1977 were

helf of Chrysler (UK) exports. Sales in Iran in 1977 were slightly higher at £108m.
Production for the resumption of exports to Iran was held up this year by the 14-week strike at Chrysler's Stoke plant. This meant that normal production did not resume until did not resume until October 25. Chrysler (UK)-which be-

comes Tailou on January 1— earlier this month was success-ful in its negotiations to achieve the substantial productivity im-provements demanded by its parent, Peugeot Citroen. The French company has also won a share in the Iranian car market. Mr George Turnbull, managing director of Chrysler (UK) has said that he is looking for a 25 per cent improvement in productivity. But he has given a warning that if the loss-Chrysler (UK) officials remaking subsidiary does not main cautious about the situa-make a profit soon, Peugeot tion in Iran. However they say could well withdraw financing.

Big problems beset Insac plans for expansion into US

faces urgent problems in its relationships with its member companies. In a two-pronged attack on

the American market, Insac will further assist its member companies to set up in the United States and will acquire American companies as the fastest way to obtain a nationwide marketing force to sell members' software products.

This is one important element in the revised plan for Insac after the hiving off last month of its viewdata operations into a separate company. The American move will be followed by similar approaches in the Far East and the Middle

include the future role of ner of a software Coca-Cola Logica, whose managing directors was set up by the NI the prospect of further resigna-tions and the poor financial results for 1978-79 reported by Computer Analysts & Pro-grammers, an Insac founder-

Logica directors will meet NEB representatives within Logica directors will meet NEB representatives within the next two weeks to discuss the company's future in relation to Insac. Mr Taylor's resignation was a personal decision and did not commit the company either to remain in or to withdraw from Insac, but it is no secret that Logica's prime interest in the NEB is its Nexos office-automation enter-

Further resignations from the Insac board are expected. Mr Neil Pearca, managing director of Insac Products, confirmed yesterday, that Mr Peter Adams of SPI intended to withdraw of SPL intended to withdraw, but the Insac head expected that another SPL director would take Mr Adams's place on the

CAP reported a pre-tax pro-fit of only £13,000 for 1978-79, compared with £1m for the Insac Products, the computer software marketing subsidiary of the National Enterprise Board, plans a major expansion of its activities in the United States next year. But the company pany's large investment in pany's large investment in MicroCobol (a microcomputer programming language) and other "new technology" pro-ducts. Insac has supported this

micro-based development.
Mr d'Agapeyeff admits that
he underestimated the time needed by manufacturers to box" the microcomputer suitably for retail sale; the software improvements needed software improvements needed to match the power of the latest micros and "the close-ness of our competition". Hence investment had risen to

But the future prospects remain good and the CAP chairman speaks of "the opportunity to franchise MicroCobol and its associated products on a worldwide basis in the man-Logica, whose managing directors, Mr Len Taylor, recently in June 1977 to invest in the resigned from the Insac board; development of software products by member-companies and the poor financial (in all of which the NEB holds results for 1978-79 reported by shares) and contains and the poor financial of which the NEB holds results for 1978-79 reported by shares? shares) and assist in their export. Under Mr John Pearce, managing director, the com-pany moved rapidly into the new field of viewdata systems. When Insac Viewdata was formed as a separate company in November, Mr Pearce moved across to become its first managing director. Mr Neil Pearce (no relation), Insac director of operations, became managing director of Insac Products with

director of Insac Products with the task of pursuing Insac's original objectives.

Despite the doubts of Mr Taylor and possibly others that these objectives are now valid, Mr. Neil Pearce is adamant that the original concept works. Insac investments have assisted members' onfirmer assisted members' software developments, he said yesterday, but it was true that Insac demanded in return a fair amount of time and effort from its board members.

Extension of kits New deputy chief for Monopolies Commission

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission, which will investi-gate anti-competitive practices when the Competition Bill be-comes law early next year, has a new deputy chairman, Mr Jeremy Hardie.

Yesterday Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Trade, announced that Mr Hardie, a partner at Dixon Wilson and Co, chartered accountants, and a member of the commission since 1976, will become deputy hairman on New Year's Day. He replaces Mr Tony Richards, a member of the Stock Exchange.

Like Mr Richards and Sir Max Brown, the other deputy chairman, Mr Hardie will serve part-time. The appointment is for three years.

Mr Note also announced bree-year reappointments of four commission members : Mr John Eccles : Mr Robert Marshall; Mr John Sadler and Miss Rita Stephen.

Although Mr Hardie, who is 41 and also a deputy chairman of the National Provident Insti-41 and also a deputy chairman faces two questions.

of the National Provident Institution, is expected to be a mission can adapt from taking bettion laws which would normally involve a single company.

Mr Borrie may make 20 or 30

strengthening the commis for its task under the Competi-

Earlier this year Mr Nott said that he was considering appointthat he was considering appointing one or possibly two fulltime deputy chairmen to the commission. Two could still be appointed eventually because the commission's establishment allows for three deputy chairmen and Sir Max Brown's appointment runs out in June 1981.

Some industrialists have been

Some industrialists have been approached to take on a full-time job but so far without re-sult, it is understood. The only other full-time membership post at the commission is that of Mr John Le Quesne, the chairman, who is a lawyer.

But the commission's secretariat is already being strengthened, largely by specialists, in preparation for the commission's

The commission's regular

nembers will remain at 24 although up to 27 members could be appointed. Work under the new competition legislation

several years to produce sector preliminary investigations of reports to being administered more like the Price Commission. at to three months to complete his produce investigations of com-panies within three months. The Monopolies Commission has been committed by Mr Nort to producing reports quickly.

When Mr Nott asks the commission to investigate a public sector body like a nationalized industry, the inquiry will have to be completed within six months, although a three-month extension is possible.

The commission is expected to get three to four of these references each year. The Covernment has already

references each year. The Government has already announced that the first will be into the south-east commuter services of British Rul.

The commission was also re-cently asked to investigate some Post Office letter services and a quick report is expected although the action was taken by the Government under earlier legislation.
Mr Gordon Borrie, Director
General of Fair Trading, is also expected to be making com-petition references to the commission under the new com-petition laws which would nor-

inquiries. He is empowered to accept

undertakings from companies, so it remains to be seen how many of his inquiries result in a reference to the commission for full investigation. Because the commission would have the results of the director general's investigations, it would nor-mally be expected to report well within six months.

The other question facing the commission is how it will adapt to developing what will amount to competition case law. The

Government turned its back on legislating against specific practices — unlike America — in favour of a more flexible ap-Interpreting the principles of the Competition Bill, which have already led to tortuous discussions at the director general's office, could be a challenge to the commission's accustomed methods of dealing

Previously the commission usually empanelled the requisite number of commission members and made no concerted attempt to bring all the



Mr Jeremy Hardie: expected to

commission together regularly formulate approaches on points of principle thrown up by successive

Growth in imports of chemicals to Britain may be slowing down

By Our Industrial Staff Chemical imports during the first nine months of this year were about 18 per cent up by volume on the same period in 1978. However, there are now signs that the rapid growth in imports over the last two years may be slowing down.
The level of imports in the third quarter was not significantly greater than the average for the first two quarters according to figures published in Trade and Industry.

The volume of chemical exports during the first nine months of 1979 was about 3 per cent higher than last year, and a similar, modest growth is expected for the whole year. International trade features strongly in the chemicals industry, with more than 42 per cent of sales oversess. In 1978, it

Gold price

falls from

\$518 peak

the day at \$510 an ounce in London, down a single dollar from Thursday's record close.

The bullion market was busy in contrast to the quiet post-

Gold rose to \$515 an ounce at

the morning fix, continuing its overnight rise in the Far East. It peaked ar about \$518 in the

late morning and then fell sharply after the opening of the

Selling by some American trading houses on behalf of

many small investors drove the price down to \$504, before it recovered at the close. Dealers

expect the market to pause for breath now that the \$500 an

ounce level has been breached.

most European currencies, gain-

are not expected to show much

Mobil has increased its whole-sale prices by 3p; this will probably rise to 4p at the retail

pumps to allow for the Saudi Arabian increase and the North

Sea price rises in November. The cheapest four-star petrol is now likely to be about 117p

a gallon and average about 119p, but these prices may hold

for less than a fortnight.
All United Kingdom petrol

groups are waiting to see how far the state-owned British National Oil Corporation will raise its prices for North Sea crude. North Sea oil now fulfils more than half of domestic requirements and the

New York markets,

Christmas foreign exchanges.

recorded a trade surplus of high level of stockbuilding \$1,402m. In the decade to 1978, aimed at preempting further the growth rate for exports was price rises or insuring against \$15000 and \$150000 and 21.5 per cent, outstripping that for imports by 0.5 per cent. Although the latest set of 21.5 per cent, outstripping that for imports by 0.5 per cent.

Although the latest set of government figures suggests a further improvement in Britain's chemicals trade balance, export performers have been the apparatus. further improvement in Britain's chemicals trade balance, export prices have risen by about 18 per cent over the past 12 months. Import prices have not been rising so fast, which will make them increasingly competitive in the United Kingdom market

Overall, chemicals industry output in the first nine months was about 3 per cent higher than in the same period of 1978. However, there are signs that the present buoyancy will not last. Demand is beginning to uayrem

pharmaceuticals and synthetic resins industries. Meanwhile, a confidential

study commissioned by the Scottish Office has concluded that further opportunities exist in Scotland for the manutacture of downstream products derived from petrochemicals. The report, by Trichem Con-

han in the same period of 1978. Sultants, says that at best only one new petrochemical complex is viable in Scotland beast. Demand is beginning to new petrochemical complex is viable in Scotland beast. Demand is beginning to new petrochemical complex is viable in Scotland beast. Demand is beginning to new petrochemical complex is viable in Scotland beast. That buoyancy may reflect a Esso at Mossmorran, Fife.

Directors fear impact of new worker rights

interests as well as those of shareholders. The Institute of Directors says that the pro-posal, incorporated in the Companies Bill, could create a conflict of interest between the directors of a subsidiary company and those of its parent organization. They are also worried that the clause will prove harmful to creditors. In a letter to Mr Reginald Eyre, Parliamentary Under Secretary of Trade, the IOD says the directors of a wholly-

owned subsidiary who receive instructions to wind up the operation from the parent board would be placed in a difficult position. The instruction may be in the

The dollar firmed slightly rom Thursday's lows against interests of the employees of the group as a whole, but to the disadvantage of the subsidiary's ing 0.2 points on its effective tradeweighted index. Markets employees. Similar conflicts could arise where the subsidiary's directors are told to repay loans or to pay dividends to the parent company. movement until after the new

size of the rise will be crucial to further increases in petrol

African producers of similar quality oil, which have already increased their prices to \$30 a barrel. The corporation will

not fix its price until the trend of all the post-Caracas increases

has been established, but the rise will take effect from Jan-

When all the increases are

added together four-star is likely to go up by a further 3p or 4p a gallon, making a total of

North Sea prices are likely to follow the trend set by Libya, Nigeria and Algeria, the north

Oil groups put up petrol prices

prices.

uary 1.

Gold jumped to new record prices yesterday morning, but then dropped back. It finished the day at \$510 an ourse interpretation of employees. bility and red tape" into trans-actions within a group because attention is focussed on the individual company, not the group as a whole. A more general objection is

that the clause extends a new and special recognition in law to employees, although in practice they are just one of a number of groups who other-wise relate to each other on the basis of the law of contract. The most important other category listed by the institute

category listed by the institute is that of creditors. Creditors were an identifiable interest group which company law had traditionally sought to protect. The institute maintains: "Their interests ought to have the same regard from directors as those of amployage." as those of employees".

The directors views have come too late for the committee stage discussions of the Bill. However, members told Mr Eyre, they hoped their comments would be taken into account at the report stage.

REVISED OPEC PRICES

S per barrel (barrel=35 galfons)

† Price change still to be announced.

Saudi Arabia Itaq Itan Kuwait United Arab Emirstos Algeria Libya Nigeria Indonesia

Fed statistics highlight importance of Britain to American banking

The volume of assets and liabilities of major foreign branches of United States banks rose sharply in the third quarter of this year. New statistics released by the Federal Reserve Board underline the significance of Britain for American banking. The figures show that total

liabilities by overseas United States bank branches rose by \$24,408m in the three months to the end of September to total \$281,585m (about 125,700m). This represents gain over the previous 12 months of \$56,557m. Total assets at the end of third quarter

the third quarter \$282,376m, compared with \$280,527m at the end of June and \$226,534m at the end of September 1978.

British claims at the end of September of \$49,479m, while the assets total for the United Kingdom stood at \$48,101m. The figures do not shed light on United States banking relationships with Iran, as all dealings with Iran are placed together with those of Bahrain,

Iraq. Kuwait, Qatar. Oman, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. As a group, these Middle East oil producers are major United States banking clients, with the American bank branches having liabilities in this area at the end of September, 1979, of \$22,844m and assets of \$8,322m.

The figures only partly reveal the degree to which United States banks are involved in international finance. More information comprehensive information covering the period to mid-1979, The United Kingdom, according to the figures, is by far the most important foreign asset structure of outstanding United and liability centre for the States bank claims on overseas branches of American foreigners, should be released banks. On the liabilities side by the Fed in the near future.

China to attract foreign capital by floating shares

From Jo McBride Hongkong, Dec 28

China is to float shares to attract foreign capital for developing its Fujian province in the south-west of the country, the New China News Agency reports. The shares, expected to be floated in 1980 to finance foreign trade, will be

The agency reported that the announcement had been made at a recent provincial meeting. The Fujian Investment Cor-poration was formed early this year to boost exports, promote joint ventures with foreign businessmen and handle distribution of goods within the

issued to overseas Chinese living in south east Asia.

The amount of capital the corporation holds has never been disclosed, and the news report gave no details of the share flotation. While the sketchy report

raises many questions, it ties well into what is already known of the enterprise's plans. Overseas Chinese investment corporations were active in several provinces until the Cultural Revolution in the 1960s. When Fujian and Guangdong

provinces were allowed to re-activace such schemes in May, the Fujian corporation was specifically empowered to "issue stocks and handle investments from overseas Chinese and Hongkong and Macao compatriots".

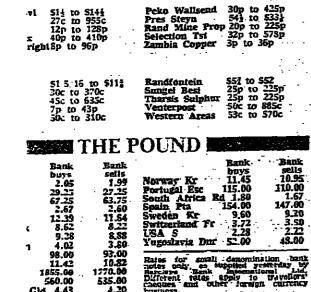
"fraternal" investments are not seen as essentially undermining the communist principle of "self-reliance". In June Wen Wei Po-the Hongkong newspaper generally thought to reflect Peking's views—suggested that the Guongdong corporation might one day issue something like redeemable preference shares valid for five, eight or 12 years, with 12-year paper

yielding 8 per cent. The China News Agency also reported a probable minimum — but not a fixed maximum — yield of 8 per cent on 12-year paper possible issued to finance Fujian develop-

Before dividend payments ceased abruptly in January 1967, the former provincial in vestment corporations routinely paid a fixed divided of 8 per cent on shares with a stated value of 20 Renminbi (about £16). Shares were bought half in Chinese and half in foreign currency but dividends were paid entirely in foreign cur-Total overseas Chinese in-

vestment in these corporations at the time they were closed down is estimated to have been well over \$40m (£18m) The apparent loss of this sum by investors is not necessarily a disincentive to future investments, to which the overseas Chinese' affection for the motherland is a considerable

PRICE CHANGES



Discount scheme has cut profit margins unacceptably, retailers say

Matched dealing for cigarettes stubbed out

Matched dealing discounts on cigarettes, which at their peak were removing 6p from a packet of 20, will be phased out by the end of this month after individual agreements between manufacturers and the Retail Confectioners and Tobacconists

Association (RCTA).

Matched dealing was used by manufacturers to offer discounts if the retailer matched the discount out of his own Mr Harry Tipple, president of the RCTA, said that with rigarettes yielding only a 10 per cent margin to retailers—

between 5p and 6p on every 20—the shared discounting had been cutting unacceptably into the retail margins.

This marketing tool, a key in the once bitter price war for the king-size market, and the state of the king-size market, and the state of the king-size market, and the state of the king-size market. was not welcomed at first by many RCTA members, according to Mr Tipple. Some tobacconists saw sales rise at first but, as with trading stamps, once most outlets were using matched dealing, sales pat-

terns tended to settle down as before and the individual tobacconist found reduced advantages in the system.

Matched dealings first appeared in 1976 Matched dealings first appeared in 1976 but took off in mid-1977 when Imperial Group, which controls W. D. and H. O. Wills and John Player, used the system to boost its share of the king-size market. Although Imperial was the overall cigarente market leader it had only about 35 per cent of the king-size sector in 1977. By early 1978 its share had jumped to 50 per cent.

This share has fallen to just under 45 ner cent after British American Tobacco

rms share has fallen to just under 45 per cent after British American Tobacco entered the British market in 1978 with its king-size State Express 555 brand.

Matched dealing, which had started off with equally shared 2p cuts on 20 packs, rose to as much as a shared 6p cut although BATs chose low launch prices as its main marketing route and not as its main marketing route and not matched deals.

The king-size sector is still growing and

market from its present 63 per cent, but the intense price war has been showing signs of petering out. But "flash packs"-so called because of wrapper messages indicating a manufacturer's discount offer—have been reappearing, sometimes as "special price" packs.

Wili's Embassy Fiher, an Imperial brand, still offers coupons and has main-tained its 6 per cent market share. But the 30 per cent duty, which coupons now carry under an end-product taxation system, probably means coupons are unlikely to be the next big marketing tool. But the Government is likely to win from the industry by the end of March, when the voluntary agreement on tobacco promotion is due for renewal,

Derek Harris

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PERSONAL INVESTMENT AND FINANCE

Bouquet of the decade About half the population of Britain invest down the country and they happened to be

through the Department of National Savings. It is a big responsibility looking after the money of people who are among the least financially knowledgeable children, the elderly and the less well off.

At the beginning of this decade the Department of National Savings was falling down on this job. There was much scathing criticism of governments in the past for the gigantic "con trick" being played on the financially naive.

In 1970 the interest on the National Savings Bank ordinary account was the same 21 per cent that it had been when the old Post Office Savings Bank (as it was then) first opened its doors in 1861. In fact, about all that could be said in favour of National Savings offerings was that they could be hought at some 22,000 post offices up and

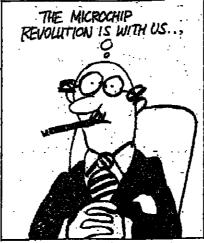
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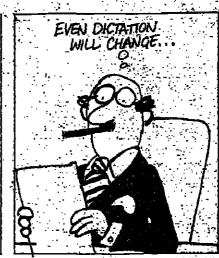
But this decade has brought a transformation. National Savings Bank investment accounts are the scourge of the building society movement, with the attractive and competitive rates they offer. The Savings Certificates are issued and withdrawn at a commendable speed to ensure that the

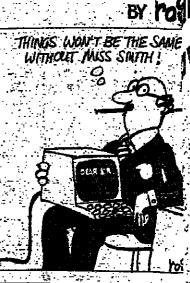
returns remain competitive. No other savings institution in the country can match the index-linked Save-As-You-Earn savings scheme or the index-linked Retirement Issue of Savings Certificates.

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Pensions

Divorce: who gets the widow's mite?

Strictly speaking divorced wives lose their rights to their ex-husbands' widow's pension. But they may be able to lay claim to other discretionary payments made by pension schemes under the broader definition of "dependants".

Most of the working population is now in an earnings te-lated pension scheme—either through the state pension fund or an occupational scheme. The rights, or rather the lack of rights, of divorced wives to widows' pensions is something that has exercised the minds of the legal profession.

It is not a problem that young divorcee who can work and build up her own entitie-ment. But an older wife, say one in her fifties, who has never worked and is, after divorce, living on maintenance payments is clearly disadvan-taged should her ex-husband die. Even if he has not re-married she will not be able to claim the widow's pension

as of right. suggested that the courts be given powers to allocate pension benefits after divorce. But in its report Family property: lumily provision on death the Law Commission decided that it would be "too great a burden to expose the trustees conscientiously, to the scrutiny

of the court". But with the high and rising divorce rate and greater recog-nition of mistresses' financial rights, pension fund trustees well crave some guidtheir company's disabled lift-man (who had lost a leg in the war), that one wife and two mistresses were claiming to be his dependants.

viso. The in situ widow, whether she is the first or the fifth wife and whether she was mar-ried to the husband for one year or fifty, must, under the pension rules, receive benefits at least as good as she would get under the earnings related

wife, or anyone else who can convince the trustees of their

the widow's pension.

There will probably be some lump sum payments to be made at the discretion of the trustees. If a man dies before retirement there may be a sum equivalent to three or four times his salary. Or the fund may repay part or all his own contribu-tions. Normally this would go to the man's widow and family. but anyone who is a dependant may be considered a suitable recipient by the trustees.

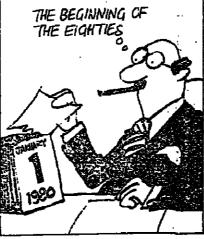
An ex-wife cannot, however, sue the trustees for the money in the same way she can sue her dead husband's estate for support. Discretionary pay-ments by pension funds do not come within the scope of the inheritance laws. It is not something a husband can give away in his will. By the same token he can only express a wish to the trustees about where he

flicting claims of various wives. They have a duty to pay some attention to what the husband felt about it, but no obligation

In several divorce cases the wife's future loss of her widow's pension was considered by the court to be serious financial hardship and the husband was refused a decree until he made alternative arrangements to provide for his wife should

he die before her.
Frequently, when faced with an aging wife, the courts will demand that the husband take out some kind of deferred annuity to take the place of his widow's pension. But if he himself is approaching retirement age this can be expensive. And if she happens to die before him all the money is lost.

As to Premium Savings Bonds, they were around in 1970 but now have a more attractive prize structure and I have high hopes that by the end of the nineties there will be football pool-sized wins.





THINGS WON'T BE THE SAME JE

When couples divorce they are usually too busy arguing about the more tangible spoils of marriage such as the house, the car or the furniture to concern themselves about pension rights when the breadwinner dies.

Not so long ago our own Occupational Pensions Board of a pension fund who can confidently be expected to act

ance. None more so than the trustees of one pension fund who found, on the demise of

The precise rules on widow's pensions vary from scheme to scheme. Many funds now call it a widow's and dependants' pension, or simply a dependonts' pension. The trustees then do have some discretion as to

who gets it.
There is, However, one pro-

state equivalent.
Since many occupational schemes provide rather better benefits it follows that an exneed, might be able to qualify for part of the extra slice of

would like the money to go.

It must be difficult for trustees to sort out the conto carry out his wishes.

After this explosion of exaspera-tion in the public sector (and the worst winter weather for 15 years) the Government had

Michael Williams to let its devolution legislation lapse.

Insurance

Time for a rethink

insurance will have a statutory right* to withdraw within a limited period—and to obtain a full refund of the whole of the first premium.

The idea has taken a long time to come to fruition. It was recommended in the Hilary Scott committee's report

ary Scott committee's report on unit-linked life assurance in 1973, and was incorporated in The Insurance Companies

Act 1974, sections 65-67.

The first proposals for "cooling-off" were made in 1975 when the Department of Trade envisaged a lengthy and complicated statutory notice which would provide detailed infor-mation to each policy-holder about his policy-but which

might not be read. Instead, it was finally agreed that the notices to be sent by life offices direct to policy-holders (not by way of brokers or other introducers of the business) should be sharp and clear, telling them about the limitations of the policy and giving them the right to can-

cel.
To preserve good relations. the great majority of life offices have been prepared to cancel policies (and make a full refund of premium)

policy-hoiders wanted to get out at the outset.

Except for the fringe com-panies not falling into that category, the cooling-off regu-lations are not really giving a buyer of insurance much that he did not have before. There are, however, two important points. First, every-body taking a policy will be told that he can cancel, without loss, if he wishes to do so.

about taking out the policy out also about making it paid up or surrendering. A salesman is unlikely to put the points so clearly—or in writing. If the new regulations stop overselling they will have

over-selling they will have achieved much. Will a salesman be quite so aggressive if he knows that his client will be sent a notice explaining the policy and saying how it can be cancelled straight away?

Certainly, it is much better for everybody for a policy never to be sold than to be wrongly sold and then have to be cancelled.

For practical reasons, the cooling-off regulations do not apply to all policies. Single premium policies are excluded. Otherwise, somebody could buy a unit-linked contract and, if the units fell in price, he could cancel and buy another-getting more units allocated for his money. Also, if an annuity was

bought and annuity yields then improved (due to higher market rates of interest), can-cellation and replacement, on better terms, could take place. That would be to the disadvantage of the life office—and, ultimately, other policy holders.

The new regulations do not

apply to industrial ("home service"—typified by the man from the Pru') life assurance. If you insure the life of somebody else (other than your spouse), for whatever reason your spouse. son, you will not be able to cancel. And ner can you cancel a policy "made in compliance with or as an integral part of a personal credit scheme".

From next Tuesday anyone Secondly, the statutory notice It looks as though that who buys certain types of life gives helpful advice—not only applies to polices arranged to It looks as though that repay house purchase loans; but some hig building societies do not agree since they would allow a borrower to switch over to a "repayment" mort-

gage.
If somebody wants to cancel, he or she can put the notice of cancellation in the post within 10 days of receiving the statu-tory notice from the life office, or within one day of knowing that the contract is in force and the first premium has been paid—whichever is later.

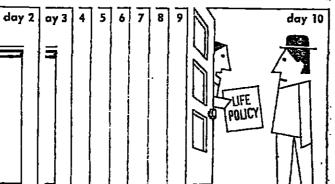
been paid—whichever is later.
Unfortunately, life offices are not adopting the same approach. Some collect a cheque or direct debit authority with the completed proposal form—and send the notice straight away, giving you 10 days from receipt of the notice. Others wait until the underwiving process has been underwriting process has been completed (including, where necessary, a medical examin-er's report) before sending an acceptance letter and notice for payment. In the latter case, as in the past, if you do not want to go ahead you simply

do not send the cheque. do not send the cheque.

If you send off your cancellation form knowing that the premium has been paid, how do you know when the premium has been paid? Some might argue (although probably with little success) that they did not know until they received their bank statement weeks. their bank statement—weeks

Insurance Companie (Notice of Long-term Policy) Regulations 1978, made under the Insurance Companies Act

John Drummond



With snow and strikes on the way, beginning of 1979 had little to recommend it. Minimum lending rate was 12.5 percent and the mortgage interest cent and the morpage interest rate had just risen to an uncomfortable 11.75 per cent. Gold was a mere \$222 an ounce and the stock market, measured by the FT industrial ordinary index, stood at 473.

On January 1 interest on the National Savings Rank invest.

On January 1 interest on the National Savings Bank investment account was raised to 12 per cent. Lloyds Bank entered the home loan market with \$20m set aside for larger loans, while in the Channel Islands the Trustee Savings Bank began offering mortgages to the saving mortgages.

offering mortgages too.

Changed legislation a tew
months earlier on the personal pension plan front produced a flurry of open market options from a wide range of life offices. Abbey launched its Gilt and Fixed Interest trust.

I ebruary Interest rates were on the move -upwards. The first of many changes in MLR was announced. It rose to 14 per cent and in of tax deposits, those useful saving devices for prudent tax-payers, rose from 13 per cent to 14 per cent,

The 18th issue of Nationar Savings Certificates, with the 8.45 per cent tax free return sold with gusto. The market was rising and the new unit trusts kept coming: Intel's Pacific Fund, Hill Samuel's General Exempt and the first of many Recovery and special situation funds, Craigmount's Recovery.

March It was the International Year of the Child; life assurance companies were waiting with invest-ment packages designed to give non-taxpaying kids all the ad-vantages of 17 per cent life as-surance tax relief next month. Sounded like a good idea—but the Inland Revenue got there first. It let it be known that children of "tender" (sic) years cannot take out the policies and get the tax relief.

credit company, Western Trust and Savings. Guardian Royal Exchange moved into the linked life business with its Grella contracts and National Westminster went offshore with High Income

Diary of a 1979 saver

Was it a bad year? Interest rates socred, mortgages cost more, but income tax fell and exchange controls vanished

connexion appeared again with Craigmount's Canadian unit

April
Mr Callagban decided to go to
the country and so all we got
was a token Budget from
Chancellor Healey. Few new savings products were launched as people waited on political events. But there were important underlying developments. Life assurance premiums be-came payable ner of tax relief at 171 per cent. The Superan-nuation Funds Office issued-memorandum 58 which opened the door for an avalanche of self-administered pension plans later in the year. And the Price Commission gave the thumbs down to changes in the unit trust charges. MLR went down to 12 per cent.

Electioneering—and pondering the outcome made for a quiet month for savers. More and more conventional life assurance companies moved into the unit-linked field, notably London Life, one of the oldest established mutuals. Other entrants were MGM Assurance and London Aberdeen and Northern Mutual Tower produced its first unit trust, an Income and Growth fund, Schroder a Smaller Companies fund and Stratton a Smaller Companies Exempt.

The Canadians were out in the Tories Budger cut basic force this month. Cannon Assurance, once part of Bernie Corpance, once part of Bernie Corpance, once part of Bernie Corpance in the top rate from 73. ance, once part of Bernie Cornfeld's ill-fated Investors Overseas Group, was sold to Inland
Financial, subsidiary of the
Canadian Cascade organization;
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and Equity funds. The Canadian mount its Gilt fund and Perperual its Income trust. Gartmore's Moneybuilder Plan opened the

way for modest savers.

July
Mr Leonard Williams, recently appointed chairman of the Building Societies Association, had a foretaste of problems caused by high interest rates with funds too low to meet high mortgage demand. The societies raised the interest rate from 8 per cent to 8.75 per cent tax paid Newcomer Skandia: Life, off shoot of Swedish insurer run by ex-Abbey Life men, got off the shoot of Swedish insure, run by ex-Abbey Life men, got off the ground. The Trustee Savings Bank breathed fresh an into the household and house contents insurance market with a new, simplified policy. New funds were Hill Samuel's Special Stuations and Quiket's Quadrant International fund, Solar Life launched a new distribution fund and Abbey Narional introduced its flexible Open Bondshare scheme share scheme

August
Long awaited fegislation enected covering the establishment and operation of credit
unions where a nonmon bond
must unite the members. Bradford & Bingley building society
provided a lump sum facility to
its Limbolan building society
insurance linked scheme, whilethe Allience sied up with the Alliance tied up with Family Assurance in a similar arrangement,

fixed interest

Why rates

strong feeling that United States rates have either peaked or will peak early in the new year. Thereafter the trend should be steadily downwards as economic activity slows One hopes that potential up-

States to relax the monetary

the Government is not dis-similar to that facing the

United States Administration-

The fact that the United

Kingdom Government has no election to face should, of

course, strengthen its resolu-tion, albeit that this may mean

As the recession starts to

keeping interest rate relatively taken as soon as possible, with high in the face of rising unemployment.

bite, however, the recent in the first quarter, I would strength of private sector loan not be surprised to see a cordemand should start to weaken, rection in the second quarter

At home the situation facing

reins too early?

Exchange controls vanishing than our wind the save industry responded to the m. of excitement with new id in other areas. Two-year come bonds, soon followed one-year bonds, hit the mar-from Skandia Life and M chant Investors. Albany I introduced a variable premipolicy med to performant. New Zerland Insurance's U versal bond was a new packs split among six different vesiment groups. And Ang Hastings and Thanet builds society raised £20m in the C society raisen themselve los for its top-of-themselve los Sandard Life, the Scottish surance giant, finally enter the unit-linked market.

November The crunch came with a cri-level of MLR of 17 per cc provoking an immediate sponse from the building soc ties. Their consequential permortgage interest rate of per cent comes into effect
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inked Retirement certificated went up from \$700 to \$1,200.

The Trustee Savings Ban severed their state commexicand their savings accounts looking their pay free status. The TS also entered the mortgage maket on a national scale. The new freedom to invest ove-seas meant that both Save at Prosper and GT Managemen were able to offer internation; bond funds. Barrington an National Westminster bot launched Smaller Companie. funds and Gartmore a Specia :

December Interest on National Saving Bank investment account ros to 15 per cent on December 1 the same as the gross equiva-lent of building societies 10 per cent tax paid rate which came into effect on the same day. British Savings Bonds,

September
The mighty Halifax at last succumbed and announced it Bad news came from M & G, would charge differential mort which ran into trouble with the gage interest rates on larger which ran into trouble with the tax man and had to be bailed effectively out by merchan bankers Kleinwort Benson. But there was good news too to the work of the was good news too to man of the Unit Trust Association. Unit trust charges, fixed in 1958, were freed from government control. Gold ender-the year at over \$500 an ounce

Margaret Stone

Even so, we do seem to have

make for lower United Kingdon:

interest rates some time during the first half of next year-

lower overseas rates and abatin: :

That brings us to the thir vital factor—the Government

borrowing requirement and it

money supply policy. Her there are some very delicat

judgments to be reached over-the coming weeks. It alread seems fairly clear, however, that the position is going to be finel 112.

In short, that means that the

Government will want to star: 1

the next financial year with interest rates still looking attractive enough to tempt in year vestors into buying large quarities.

titles of gilt edged stock.
On that basis I would expects.

the Government to do all in it.

rates ahead of the Budget part also because the Budge may have precious little else to

offer other than a further fal

The Government's objective

may not, however, prove at that easy to fulfil. The timing

of cycles overseas and the domestic economy rarely coin-

domestic economy rarely coin-cide precisely, while marker rend to react much more quickly and violently that governments like. All this car make for complications.

My own view is that further accumulation of fixed interest instruments should be under

If interest rates fall too far

But I doubt that rates will fall back to present levels unless the Government either loses in the covernment either eithe

nerve or gets its sums very

John Whitmore

balanced.

private sector loan demand.

investor's year

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POLICY

Dominating influence of oil and Iran

dominated the investor's year and he did so simply by failing. He was-and in name still is-Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, His Imperial Majesty the Shahanshah Aryamehr, Emperor of

We knew in our waters as the year began that our ram-shackle United Kingdom economy would soon pass its peak of activity and take company profits down with it. But we did not know when, or ho far or fast, the descent would

However, the toppling of the Shah and the twisting of the Opec oil screw ensured a bleak opec on series ensured a least international climate against which it was useless for the United Kingdom to struggle. World inflation went up, interest rates around the globe rose and the dollar went down. It looked like 1974-75 all over azain.

So we worried as we went into 1979 when the FT index was 473. While the Shah tottered the best people (such as the London Business School, brokers Wood Mackenzie and Phillips & Drew) fretted about rising inflation, falling consumption and closures around tion and slower growth.

But soon the worrying gave way to chuckling. Politics tem-porarily took over the stock market. The previous autumn it looked as if Labour had an odds-on chance of victory in a general election. With great skill, the Chancellor. Mr Denis Healey had got a rearing con-sumer spending boom under way and we also now know, but did not then appreciate, a public expenditure spree as well.

It was all done under the cloak of a becoming monetarism and, as public opinion polls showed the two biz parties pegging level. Tory nerves frayed The about-turn was sudden. With victory in sight Labour embraced defeat through an incomes policy with increases of only 5 per cent. Down went Labour in the opinion polls as out on strike and into pickets went lorry drivers, hospital workers, dustmen and school

The key month was March. 2225

Scottish nationalists were one vote.

As the Tories confirmed their to pay for this spending had opinion poll lead, investors be-

gan to relish the prospect of a bonfire of dividend and price controls, as well as an actock on those taxes identified with socialism. But, however unwittered from reality by a waiter was gamblin of statistics dismissed as useless ment cash. thanks to the winter weather

and the strikes. peaked on May 4, the morrow of the Tory election victory, at 538.6. As far as blue ships wert, it

you would have done so at only 6p a share under the year's high.
Anyone who kissed Marks & Spencer goodbye then at 120p would have conceded a more 4p was put into place in mid-June.

Scotland had said yes to devo-lution so faintly that the devolu-tion Bill could not be activated. City men rubbed their hands a stroke the whole interest rate and waited eagerly for fut divi-structure on which the alleged dends from Shell. EP and a host "cheapness" of shares was of others. Gilt-edged buyers drummed their fingers for big furious and the Government drommed their fingers for big lost a key Commons motion by cuts in government spending,

kept prices so low. The awakening from his Tory so uncomfortable. Big brokers fattened by institutional rather than private client husiness tingly, investors had entered a failed to realize just how much dream world. They we're shell of the money behind a Tory win was gambling rather than invest-

Nor were City men keen on nd the strikes.

Symbolically, the FT index distillation. Investors rely on each other to force up share to force up share prices and they know they must tick together to keep them up. But, if prices are high and they fear a fail, they radiate cheerwas a stockmarket not a market in stocks. If you had sold and it necessary ellow fellow Courtaulds at 115p on May 4, herear brokers of courts man better brokers, of course, man-

a share; the seller of Tesco got it right, save for ip, at May 7. If per cent to give the Gaverine and the unloader of ICI would have got his turned right on the button at a price of 415p, exactly the year's peak.

Comment

"cheapness" of shares' based fell apart.

This leap in MLR was part of the monetarism of the new Charcellor, Sir Geoffrey Howe. He hoped to control inflation and cut taxes by £1,000m by making money dear and hoisting VAT to 15 per cent. But the City had little faith in this old Chancellorial device of setting monetary and fiscal policy at

The view gained ground that Mr Healey had left the economy over-extended and that the new Government would have ts work cut our simply to rein-ballooning public sector spending, let alone cut it. But few-things in the stock market go-up or down in a straight line. in or down in a straight line.

In July Sir Geoffrey set dividends free and up jumped the index from 455 to 480. Nor did the index collapse at once as the series of two-day engineering strikes got under way in huggest.

.\ucust. But by October shares were stiding and they were given a strong shove by the ending of exchange controls. That killed the "weight of money waiting to go into shares" argument at a stroke. Now institutions could invest abroad,

MLR at 17 per cent sent the index to a November low of 405.3 and it stayed weak as the vens ended where it began, in Iran, where the mobs stormed the United States embassy. The index bowed out at 417.8. Among the losers to sup quictly out of the old year were

Vickers at 140p, just about the 1979 low; Tube Investments at

234p, right on the year's bot-mm; and Distillers which sank to 199p, also the year's low. So it was a bad year for shares in general, especially onzincers with a lot of labour, money tied up in expensive tocks and exporting in the teeth of a strong pound, Obviously, it was a good year or oils and gold shares but few investors in these did better than builion—up 120 per cent —and oil, which on average has

Taken in total, shares in the table reflect not only recession but investors' fears for the health of the world economy and its currencies. These lears could be overdone.

more than doubled.

Christmas came early for the pundits this year. On November 15 to be precise. That was the day on which the Government decided to do its best to spoil everybody else's Christmas by raising short-term interest rates to an unprecedented level. investment -

being determined against a though it is true that so long highly uncertain world back as the rate of price inflation continues to increase as it

bearish. Indeed, there is a still.

An unexpected gift

A seasonal gift is available for cliarging in the transition ment, the one due for payment every Barkelayeard holder. Be period, means that the Christ sometime in January. But he cause Barklayeard are changing and sales baring from a system of charging gains which were piled on the latted total balance of two interest on outstanding Barklayeard drave the henefit months' transactions by the paybalances monthly in advance, of a month's extra credit holiming transactions by the paybalances of daily in arreard they day. balances monthly in arrears, they day, some of daily in arrears, they day, some of day.

This generosity, forced upon run) pay only the minimum remaining on the new like in the long interest rate of 2.25 per cent are day, some of day.

MAIN CHANGES OF THE YEAR

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Canadian Cascade organization; There was more freedom on too. Interest on available own-Royal Bank of Canada bought the overseas front however: mgs Bank investment account the meant that £100,000 could now be spent on a holiday home abroad and that Krugerrand could be bought freely M & G launched its Norm American Recovery fund, Craig- on International fund.

But for the pundits—once, that is, they had wiped a not inconsiderable amount of egg from their faces—it was nothing short of manna from Sir Geoffrey. Now they could launch into the eighties with the "safe" prediction that interest rates would fall.

To me that seems a most strong feeling that Unit

interest rates would fall.

To me that seems a most reasonable prediction. There is, it is true, a minority school of thought that argues that there is still an outside chance of everything going wrong—in which case, horror of horrors, interest rates might still have to climb in line with the rising rate of inflation.

But much as I dislike betting with the crowd, on this occasion at least I feel forced to go along with it.

That leaves three basic states have either peaked or will peak early in the new year. Thereafter the trend should be steadily downwards as economic activity slows. One hopes that potential upsets to such a scenario will not predict what 1980 will not bring? Further complications in the Middle East? Unsepticed complications on the international banking front? A rash attempt in the United States to relax the minerary

go along with it.

That leaves three basic questions to deal with. When will rates fall, how far will they fall, and will short or longer term rates fall further? Quire honestly, attempting to predict the trend in interest rates with any degree of precision is a the need to keep trying to superse out some of the considerations that should be shaping the fact that the United

the pattern of interest rates Point number one is that since late October we have been living in a country free of exchange controls. The general implication of that ought to be that United Kingdom interest rates should in future be even more sensitive to movements in key international interest rates. especially dollar rates; and those, of course, are at present

That does not mean to say that the outlook for inter of 1980—businesses need more badly wrong national interest rates is and more money just to stand

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y sort of reader, hard- leaders will head next year's So I have high hopes of So I have high hopes of Dunlop (taken in at 44p on November 17 and now 53p); of Westland (put in at 47 p on December 1 and now around 54p); and today of Staveley Industries, now around 186p, the lowest since 1979 began, but probably an interpretation of the same began. but probably on its way back to the two-year high of 352p. Like Dunlop and Westland, Staveley is a good company (temporarily) in the doghouse. That is why I like it.

Things began to go wrong last June. After seven years of non-stop triumph (when chief tractive Dr. Adolf Franks)

executive Dr Adolf Frankel took over in 1970 Staveley was almost broke) growth in the year to last March all but stopped. In the market there was disappointment, but not dismay.

That came a few weeks ago when we heard of half-time profits down, and nearly out, from £5.4m to £1.56m

I believe that Staveley, deep in electrical and mechanical engineering salt medianten. engineering, salt production, foundry products and Saker weighing machines, is even now busy removing this blot by streamlining, pruning and management rightening. With luck there will not be

a general engineering strike next year. It all points to swift, solid recovery, though I con-cede that the market will not forgive Staveley at once. But a quick return to 352p is not needed for a handsome capital

Peter Wainwright

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This specialist readers' service has been compiled with the help of John Drummond, Vera Di Palma, Ronald Irving

anyone wanting to make taxfree gifts. So, in addition to this reader taking advantage of the grandparent's marriage gift exemption limit of £2,500 (the limit incidentally is increased to £5,000 for a parent and decreased to £1,000 for anyone else), he can add another £2,000 in the present tax year 1979-80.

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Furthermore, if grandfather has not used up the £2,000 exemption for 1978-79 he can do so in the current year (the carry forward is available for one year only), thereby increasing the additional gift to £4,000. £4,000.

a letter about interest on money held by a solicitor, I am prompted to ask what is an estate-agent's obligation in respect of money collected as rent on behalf of a landlord?

For several years rents have been collected on my behalf by an estate agent as manager. Rents collected have, I presu been retained in the estate-agent's account. They have not been paid into the appropriate property account. The sums involved have ranged from about £500 a year to nearly £1,000 a year so that over the years some useful interest could have

Could you also let me know what fees are customarily charged by estate-agents for

An estate agent is to agent to keep money collected on behalf of a client in a specially designated clients' account. This account may be either a denosit current account or a deposit account. There is no obligation on the agent to place the money on deposit unless the client specifically requests this. However, if it is placed into a deposit account all interest which accrues must be paid over to the client. The interest cannot be retained by the agent without express agreement of the client

However, where a solicitor or However, where a solicitor of estate agent holds money as stakeholder—e.g., a deposit paid for house purchase—the interest earned belongs to the stakeholder and not to the vendor or the purchaser. Where the deposit is stated to be held by the estate agent as agent. by the estate agent as agent for the vendor, any interest earned belongs to the vendor. With regard to property management, there are recom-mended scales of fees but these are likely to be abolished soon and all fees will be fixed "by arrangement". At present the recommended charge for the management of properties rented weekly is 10 per cent of the gross rental. This is reduced to 7.5 per cent where

TED BY MARGARET STONE FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Firmer note in drifting equities

The Stock Market began the new account on a quiet, but apparently, firm note yesterday as the holiday period cominued to take its toll.

The general routine was much the same of late with most in-

the same of late with most in-terest being centred on special-list sectors and company news. Dealers did manage to take some heart from the news of a last ditch attempt at resolving the steel strike but in general equities remained dull. Hopes of a mention by brokers or the weekend press as being a buy for the new year saw a handful of shares buzz but it was hardly, enough to draw much solid sup-port.

port.
Gold shares remained buoyant reflecting the recent rise in the bullion price, which finished the day yesterday \$1 off at \$510 an ounce, although most were subject to profit taking after Thursday's sharp rise.
Activity among gilt edged was low even though longs were mostly an £1 better. This however, was mainly offset by the shorter end of the mark market when after a firm start they drifted back to finish about

drifted back to finish about £1/16 to £1 off. Business after hours proved a little brighter with the FT Index finishing at its highest point of the day 3.1 up at 417.8. The firmer trend was reflected in leading industrials

By Our Finencial Staff

For the second time in the past three months the shares

of troubled engineering group Fairbairn Lawson have been

Yesterday the shares were

put on ice at 12p valuing the company at £1.4m. Dealings in Fairbairn were resumed on December 10 after an eight week suspension at 201p.

Following the suspension of Fairbairn Lawson's listing the directors announced that discus-

sions were taking place which might lead to offers being made

for all the share capital of the

company. A further announce-

ment was promised as soon as

earlier in the week in connexion with the affect of the steel strike, Risese of 2p were noted in Unilever 2p up at 454p, Beecham at 119p and Glaxo at 436p. Pilkington Bros were 2p off at 198 off at 198 as the new shares

off at 198 as the new shares went fully paid.
On the bid front Anthony Gibbs climbed 4p to 75p following its approach earlier in the week from Hongkong & Shanghai Bank while Highland Distillers firmed 1p to 146p as it prepared for its battle to tend of the advance of Canadian distillers Hiram Walker, Joseph Shakespeare were unchanged at 27p as was its would-be suitor Wheway Watson at 15p.
Shares of the troubled engineering group Fairbairn Lawson were suspended at 12p, just above the low for the year, and follows an earlier suspen-

and follows an earlier suspen-sion period earlier in the year. Another troubled engineering group to be suspended was Wilson Walton where the shares wison watton where the spaces were froze at 8p.

Among shipping shares P & O climbed 4p to 110p on hopes that it might be named share

of the year, while Furness Withy advanced 11p to 257p on reports that Eurocanadian might be ready to launch a full-Company Int or Fin Cullens Stores (1) was good for 31p rise in Wearwell at 482p, APV 5p stronger at 181p, British Benzele 4p to the good at 47p and Norton & Wright 9p up at 96p in a thin marker where Fisons improved 5p to Benzele 4p to the good a 264p and ICI gained 4p to 361p and Norton & Wright 9 as did Metal Box loss ground at 96p in a thin market.

announced that it had sold its

ansounced that it had sold its loss-making Greenbat subsidiary to Atlantic Engineering and Company, a Jersey-based company controlled by a consortium of South American investors. The cost of the complex deal was described by

the Fairbairn directors as "heavy"

According to the 1978 annual report—which was qualified by auditors Price Waterhouse—the

actual loss amounted to more

than 22m and the chairman re-

ported that the Greenbat prob-

lems have had an effect on the other divisions.

other divisions.

Speculation in the City surrounds the 5.5 per cent stake
in the group held by Martac

rounds the solution.

No dividend has been paid
since 1977. At 8p a share the
company is valued at £400,000.

Fairbairn is suspended again

News that William Collins had sold one of its London properties and then leased it back prompted a rise of So back prompted a rise of 5p to 113p and the BL Honda deal cheered shares of Lucas 6p up at 234p.

Companies with substantial

Companies with substantial interests in the North Sea featured strongly the oil price continued to rise. Carless Capel led with a 6p rise at 82p, Associated Newspapers jumped 3p to 250p and National Carbonising improved 4p to 128p. Only Cawoods 2p lower at 156p and Imperial Continental Gas 1p off at 600p went against the trend.

Some of the major oil com-Some of the major oil com-

panies managed to stage a rally with BP 8p higher at 350p, and the new 6p better at 147p. Shell were 4p higher at 328p, Ultramar 6p up at 418p, Lasmo 13p to the good at 351p and Tricentrol with a rise of 7p_to 258p.

Textiles finished mixed.
Nottingham Manufacturing was
1p better at 72p as was Court-

Aktiengesellschaft of Vaduz.

Lichtenstein. However, yester-day there were no Fairbairn directors available for comment.

Another engineering company

Walton, at Sp.
The North Sea construction

group made a loss last year of £1.7m and at the time of the mid-October full year figure an-

nouncement, the directors admitted that the only business on its books was a £4m contract with BNOC. The director in charge of technical affairs, Mr G. M. Murray, resigned in front of the annual meeting giving no reason for his action.

be suspended was Wilson

Hampton Artas (1) J. F. Nash (F) Vectis Stone (F)

Sales £m 8.5(7.6)

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aulds at 73p. Carrington Viyella at 18p and Tootal at 28p were both unchanged.

Properties gave a firmer performance than of late with Hammerson 'A' continuing its upward trend rising a further 15p to 158p. Land Securities at 259p and Trefford Park at 118 pt 253p. Grindlays were also both unchanged.

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Profit taking left gold shares finishing mostly mixed with

Profit taking left gold shares finishing mostly mixed with Western Holdings \$\frac{1}{2}\$ up at \$554\frac{1}{4}\$, Anglo American \$1\$ better at \$76\frac{1}{2}\$ while in Australians featured Hampton Gold 15p stronger at 260p. Profit taking \$2\frac{1}{4}\$ from West Driefontein at \$50\frac{1}{4}\$ and Kloof at \$1\frac{1}{4}\$ at \$26\frac{1}{4}\$. Selection Trust featured prominently strongly among the minently strongly among the London financials with Selection Trust leaping 32p to 578p, Consolidated Gold Fields advanced 1p to 384p and R.T.Z. put on 4p to 384p.

Insurances were slightly better with rises averaging a couple of pence while among

Latest results

per share 3.09(1.38)

-(-) 9.9(4.5) 4.05(3.07)

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Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.49. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. Strike slows J F Nash

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By Rosemary Unsworth J. F. Nash Securities, the Kettering-based Scimitar carsto-packaging group which now 9.3p holds 96 per cent of Reliant year. Motor Group, lost about Mr £150,000 in profits during the said year because of the engineering

The group managed slightly to exceed its profits forecast. made in October, and pushed up pretax profits by 60 per cent to £598,000. Turnover rose by 22 per cent to £35.1m in the ending September 30, 1979 with the trading disruption in August and September caused by the dispute. The figures in-clude Reliant's results for the first time. The share price was unchanged at 70p on the announcement

The proposed final dividend of 5p gross, also as forecast, makes a total for the year of 9.3p compared with 9.1p last Mr John Nash, chairman,

to 353p. Grindlays were also wanted, jumping 10p to 133p.

Insurances also gave a better performance than of late with gains of 2p in GRE at 228p. General Accident at 220p and Pearl at 274p. Commercial Union was 1p firmer at 139p.

C. T. Bowring continued to gather strength as it waited for Marsh & Maciellan to make its next move, improving 3p to

Electricals were dull with

Thorn dipping 2p to 280p on reports of increased imports of

television tubes. Racal was un-changed at 186p and GEC rose 3p to 326p.

Equity turnover on December was £39.201m (5,911 bar-

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said that despite the unfavourable economic climate, the group's trading during the first quarter of the current year has been generally satisfactory. Nash made an agreed

Nash made an agreed \$700,000 bid for the remaining 23 per cent of Reliant's shares it did not already own in Octoer which is unconditional and remains open for further accep-tances. The plan is to develop Nash as an industrial group and simplify its management struc-ture. The group bought its original 77 per cent stake in Reliant in June 1977.

Talbex Fair-Air decision

Cavenham and Anglo Continental ahead

By Our Financial Staff Major pre-tax profit in-creases have been recorded at

two of financier Sir James Goldsmith's enterprises, Cavenham and Auglo-Continental Investment and Finance. At Cavenham, interim results al-most doubled to 527.1m, while most doubled to \$27.1m, while Anglo-Continental, also reporting interims, pushed profits up from \$624.000 to \$1.83m.

Caverham is the United Kingdom manufacturer and retailer of food and related products. The group, which controls many subsidiaries in north America Ireland other E**uropean countries and S**outh Africa, is wholly owned by Sir

James's master company, General Occidentale, registered

France.
Sales by Cavenham in the 32 weeks to the middle of November were £1.37 bn, and tax was £7.3m. Sales show an advance of about £300,000 on the same period of last year.
Anglo-Continental is another wholly-owned subsidiary of General Occidentale. Its interests are booking, insurance and investment. But the group's banking associate, Banque Occi-dentale pour l'Industrie et le Commerce, has merged with Societe Finaucière et Industrielle pour l'Expansion des Enterprises, reducing Anglo-Continental's stake in the new company to approximately 19

Operating profit for the six months to the end of Septem-ber was 3.29m, compared with £1.64m for the same period of last year. Earnings per share rose from 2.21p to 3.44p. Extraordinary items have been excluded until the final results are published.

Cavenham's profits for the whole of the previous finan-cial year were £32.8m. The cor-pany then expected a significant increase in profits for the

current year.
Anglo-Continental's profits
were £1.98m for the nine months to the end of March At the beginning of the month a Cavenham offshoot, Allied Supplies, paid £9.5m for Caters, a supermarket chain formerly owned by Debenhams, Cavenham has also recently been capanding its interests in the United States.

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£2,000 are both available to

After your informative reply to

property management and what services they normally include? (MS, Cardiff). An estate agent is obliged

The general slump in the Apart from the weaker book trade is blamed for the trading conditions in publishing

sharp drop in profits for the publishing and training colleges group Pitman. group Pitman.

In the six months to September 30, 1979, Pitman's pre-tax by higher interest charges which have moved up from per cent to £616,000 compared with £1.135m last time. Turnover was down, too, during the period but only marginally at £12.859m against £13.453m.

Although the publishing division.

Although the publishing division did poorly in the first half Pitman's printing operation with last year's second half improved its profitability while figures, around £400,000. This who, between them, the training colleges and aids will take the year's total to a held their own at the half way little over the £1 mark, a third During the period of the peri stage.

Pitman bas suffered from internal organizational changes made on the books side.

The board confidently pre-dicts that profits in the current

Pitman down by over 45 pc | Mooloya quotation halted

The shares of Mooloya ber 5 and the renewed bid on Investments were suspended yesterday at the company's request following the closing of the offer from privatelyowned Nunnery Holdings. Nunnery, which is controlled

by Mr I. A. Phillips, a director of Mooloya, made a 70 3/16p a share offer for the 232,000 ordinary Mooloya shares it does not already own, valuing Mooloya at £163,000. Nunnery is acting as agent Mr G. Truman and Mr S. Terry

r Phillips, Mr B. Hersh berween them, hold

little over the £1 mark, a third | During the period of the restored to down on the 1978 final profit original offer, made on Novemrestored two weeks later on

Talbex, the aerosols-to-hair- He added that he could give November 18 no ordinary shares in Mooloya were bought November by Nunnery of any of the prin-cipals. The number of bid acceptances so far amount to 125. months.

Mooloya is currently pego-tiating with an international group over the future develop-ment of car seat cover makers Customagic Manufacturing Company, its main operating subsidiary. Mooloya took over Customagic last year (1978). Earlier this year the shares of Mooloya were suspended ahead of the take-over announcement. The listing was

dressing group, will decide on no assurances that profits the future of its problematic would continue to be earned air conditioning subsidiary throughout the current year. Fair-Air, in the next few Last year Talbex made pre Chairman, Mr Stanley Lunt

ing in London that the options now facing Talbex were

Last year Talbex made pre-tax losses of £131,000 against profits of £573,000 the year said at yesterday's annual meet-ing in London that the options to prune the Fair Air comnow facing Talbex were panies overheads, whether to continue with Fair Skelton, the other company

Air, which it acquired last that joined the group last vezr year and has already caused and then turned in losses, went large losses in the group, sell back into profit last month. the company or close it down. Mr Lunt said he expected it Although Fair-Air made pro-

Hunt brothers' Bache stake

oil men and investors, have bought an estimated 3 per cent interest in Bache Group Inc., sources at the securities firm holding company disclosed. The sources said that the purchases, made in recent weeks, total about 285,000 shares. This would give the Hunt Brothers slightly more than a 3 per cent equity in Bache, which has about 8 million shares outstanding. In Dallas, a spokesman for the Hunts confirmed that the brothers have purchased shares "for investment purposes only". He declined to specify the

Bache sources said that the purchases were made at the urging of Mr Harry A. Jacobs Jr., Bache chairman and chief executive officer. It has been no secret on Wall Street that Mr Jacobs has been trying to get as much Bache stock as possible into friendly hands to thwart any takeover attempts. Hunts are long-time securities and commodines customers of Bache Halsey Stuart Shields Inc. Bache Group's major subsidiary. Bache perceives major threat from Bel-Fran Investments Ltd,

a Vancouver concern controlled by three brothers Messrs Samuel, William and Hyman Belzberg Bel-Fran currently owns slightly less than 7 per cent of Bache and had expressed an interest in increasing its holdings to as much as 25 per

However, Bache holders effectively neutralized the Belzberg holdings by passing at the annual meeting last October a series of rules that would make it extremely difficult for any group to take control of the company, among other things, the rules would make it necessary for anyone seeking to gain control to acquire 75 per cent of the common outstanding.

Opel sets record Adam Opel AG, the West

Adam Upel AG, the West German car manufacturing unit of General Motors Corp of the US, produced a record of 971,635 passenger cars in 1979, up 1.3 per cent from 959,202 units in 1978, the previous record.
Opel Chairman Herr James F.
Waters, ir, termed 1979 an
altogether satisfactory year for
Opel. In his comment on the
company's 1979 performance,
Waters did not mention profit. For 1980, Herr Waters said, Opel expects the car market to

Mr N. Bunker Hunt and Mr Of Opel's total 1979 output, W. Herbert Hunt, wealthy Dallas about 475,000 cars went into the \$201.97 a share of series A predomestic market, down about 10 per cent from 527,447 cars in 1978 while about 496,000 units were exported, up 13.2 per cent from 438,149 cars in 1978. Documents will be the former promptly to Opel's statement stressed that

> last months of this year. The company, like Ford-Werke AG, the West German subsidiary of Ford Motor Co of the US, had American Express American Express has comto introduce part time work be-

International

demand for its larger size models. Opel said that at the end of

the export market proved to be a stabilizing factor during the

1979 it had 67,000 persons on its payroll at plants in Ruessels-heim, Bochum, Kaiserslautern and West Berlin against 64,844 a year ago.

New VW plant Volkswagen of America will add a second assembly plant to

its North American operations, President James W. McLernon said in an end of year statement.
He thus confirmed expectations which followed last summer's announcement by

Volkswagen's West German voikswagen's west German-parent, Volkswagenwerk AG, of a \$3,100m capital spending plan which would place special emphasis on North America. McLernon said increased demand for Volkswagen's products had taxed the recently expanded United States production capacity to the limit. The Westmoreland PA plant is capable of producing 1,000

vehicles a day.

A VW spokesman said be expects the decision on whether to buy or build the second plant to be made early next year, adding that the location, cost and timing will depend on the build or buy decision. Reliance-Exxon

Exton Corp and Reliance
Electric Co said the merger
of an Exxon subsidiary with
Reliance was approved by
Reliance stockholders. The
merger has become effective.
Exxon alreedy owned shares
arrished to show 94 per corp. enticled to about 94 per cent of the votes and over 94 per cent of the remaining votes cast were in favour of the merger the companies said. As stabilize with the first half a result of the merger Exxon marked by restraint on the part has acquired the balance of the comption for gifts the rent is payable monthly. marked by restraint on the part - has acquired the balance of the cration of marriage. The recommended charge for of customers and a sales up- outstanding Reliance shares for smull exemption of other property is 5 per cent. Trand in the second balf of 1980. \$72 a share of common stock

ferred stock and \$1,000 plus accrued dividends a share of 9 per cent preferred stock, they

Reliance stockholders for the surrender of their Reliance stock certificates

pleted its previously announced \$175m purchase of a 50 per cent interest in Warner Communications Inc's cable televi-sion subsidiary, Wærner Cable Corp.

The company will now be knowns as Warner Amex Cable Communications and Warner and American Express bave equal representation on the board of the new concern. The

German Mobil

Mobil Oil AG, West German subsidiary of Mobil Oil Corp, revised downwards its projected 1979 net profit to between DM260m and DM290m from a previously forecast DM280m to DM340m, a German Mobil spokesman said from Hamburg. The revision was made because of new crude oil price increases back-dated to earlier this year. German Mobil 1978 net profit was DM169.5m against DM5.2m

In a letter to employees the company said it had a DM36.5m net profit in the third quarter The spokesman said no com-

parison with the third quarter of 1978 is available as the company did not give a quarterly breakdown of figures last year. In the first nine months this year German Mobil had a 13.4 per cent share of German dumestic crude oil production, extracting 500,000 tonnes, and a 20.6 per cent share of rota domestic natural gas output producing 3.2 billion cubic

IBM sells notes

International Business Machines has sold \$300m of notes in a private placement to the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency. It said the notes have a final marurity of seven years. The proceeds will be used for increased capital requirements for construction of manufacturing facilities for rental equipment to meet customer demand for the company's products and

William Collins property deal

freehold of its London headquarters building to an invest-ment trust for £3.6m. Under the terms of the sale of the 13,000 so ft building in St James's Place London SW1 Collins has agreed to lease back the offices at an annual rent of around £180,000.

The publishers are to lease the office block for up to five years during which time they will look for another building. The £3.6m sale price represents a massive increase over the £550,000 book value. Collins say the surplus will be used to reduce group borrowings which for the year to December 31, 1978 stood at over £13m.

A cash-raising exercise of this United Wire Group the group published its interim figures which showed losses of more than £800,000 compared with a profit in the 1978 first half of £1.2m. Chairman Mr Jan Calling said that it was important. Collins said that it was imperative for the group to reduce borrowings and costs. Interest charges during the first six months of 1979 had increased by 52 per cent to more than film.

Board buys more Mav and Hassell

Directors of timber importers May & Hassell have increased their shareholdings in the com-pany. Mr Dennis Raby has acquired 3,500 ordinary shares, Mr Noel Atley has acquired 1,500 ordinary shares, and Mr Peter Arley has increased his beneficial interest by 1,500 ordinary shares and his non-beneficial interest by 2,000 chares

shares.

Both Mr Paul Thompson and Mr J. L. Emmerson have increased their non-beneficial interests through the acquisition of a further 2,000 ordinary shares and Mr John Batley has acquired 3,000 shares.

Takeovers clear monopoly hurdle

The following proposed merg-ers are not to be referred to the Monopolies Commission. ers are not to be referred to the Monopolies Commission. Kwik-Fit (Tyres and Exhausts) Holdings with Euro-Exhaust Centre Holdings; Eagle Star Holdings with Bernard Sunley Investment Trust; Sears Holdings with Wallis Fashion Group. British Petroleum with Hendrix Fabrieken; Thorn Electrical Industries with GEBR Kaiser GMBH and Co Leutchen; Calor Gas with Glogas; David Dixon Startenent. He is confident that startenent. He is confident that startenent. He is confident that continue to increase and that the asser value and income stream of the Trust will benefit.

Bristol Utd Press is referred

Trade Secretary Mr John Nott is referring to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission

Diary and book publishers & Son Holdings with Montfort William Collins has sold the (knitting mills); and Polygram Group with Decca Record.

Inveresk group completes sale

The sale of Inveresk Group's interest in the paper merchanting business through its holding in Link Paper & Supplies was completed yesterday. Swedish based Mo & Domsjo has paid £1.417m cash and assumed bank liabilities of £3.7m. The Office of Fair Trading has confirmed it will not refer the sale to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

cautious

Mr Anthony Green, chairman of the United Wire Group, says that the company's level of profitability continues to be affected by interest rates, infla-tion and the strength of sterling. Because of these factors he adds that it is not possible to forecast results for the current year.

John Williams qualified

Auditors Touche Ross have qualified the accounts of John Williams of Cardiff because no depreciation has been provided on the group's freehold buildings. The auditors state that this does not comply with the Standard Accounting Practice 12 relating to property tice 12 relating to property depreciation. Touche Ross say they are unable to quantify the effect of non-compliance with this standard.

Gen Stockholders' strategy

Despite general economic problems in the United States there are companies with increasing order books and strong balance-sheets in which The General Stockholders Investment Trust will continue to invest, says chairman, Mr William Govett in his annual statement. He is confident that profits of these companies will continue to increase and that

fits in the four month period profits during the year. All to the end of November, Mr other trading divisions were Lunt warned shareholders that profitable and should meet or the order books were still exceed budgeted profits for the

"very thin and unbalanced". next year, he added.

the proposed transfer of the West Somerset Free Press newspaper to Bristol United Press. The decision follows the agreement last March by BUP to acquire 75 per cent of the issued share capital of Cox, Sons & Co, publishers of the Free Press, from Farnham

Castle Newspapers. Under the 1973 Fair Trading Act the secretary of state has to give his approval for newspaper transfers if the proprie-tors' total circulation exceeds 500,000 a day.

Turnbull Scott sells carrier

Turnbull Scott Shipping has sold its 29,500 tons bulk carrier MV Trongate for 25,24m to United Kingdom buyers and have leased back the vessel for 30 years. The Trongate contributed more than 30 per cent to group losses of more than \$2m after interest and depreciation in the 14 months to March 31 1979. The sale enable Target 1775, the safe elabore Target 1775, the pring to repay its \$9.5m loan on the Trongate and its share of the \$1m loan on the MV Veneria.

Louis C. Edwards expands

Yorkshire Biscuits (a subsidiary of Louis C. Edwards & Sons) has received acceptances in respect of its offer for Furoiss and Co of 71,379 shares, some 89.2 per cent. This includes 15,617 shares, 19.5 per cent held by the directors, who had irrevocably undertaken to accept the offer undertaken to accept the offer. Yorkshire Biscuits has declared the offer unconditional in all respects and it will remain open until further

B. F. Goodrich

B. F. Goodrich expects new car sales to decline in 1980, a trend which will adversely affect tyre shipments to the original equipment market. The company expects new car sales to fall to about \$9.5m in 1980 from an estimated \$10.6m in 1979, with the major portion of the reduction in United States built cars.

Goodrich said unit passenger tyre sales in the replacement market will continue near the 1979 level, which was somewhat depressed from the levels of 1978 and earlier years. esday pmı Kid Mia

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When Mr G. Michael
Boswell, president of the Sunshine Mining company, the
United States's biggest pure silver mine, was passing through town a free weeks ago on a quietly promotional tour, he hinted that unnamed Arabs had shown interest in his com-

pany's prospects. Now they have surfaced.

Arab Investors Group, a private Luxembourg-registered company believed to be controlled by Kuwaiti interests, has controlled to the Segurities. has reported to the Securities and Exchange Commission that it has bought 19.4 per cent of Sunshine's common stock, amounting to 1.03m shares. The price was a total of \$21.9m (£10.5m).

Not content with this modest

Not content with this modest outlay. Arab Investors has acquired from Sunshine an option to buy another 500.000 shares, costing \$10.6m. Should the option be exercised, the group would control 26.3 per cent of the silver miner.

The Arabs, one of whose directors is H. H. Sheikha Badriah, a member of the Kuwaiti ruling family, say that their purchase is an investment. In other words, it is unlikely that they would want actually to run the company. That is characteristic of this kind of Arab investment.

Arab investment.

The investment works both The investment works both ways. Silver has been one of the year's fastest performers. While 12 months ago the London Metal Exchange closing ring price was 286p an ounce for cash delivery, yesterday it was 1,262.5p. Sunshine's profits have responded accordingly. Net income was \$1,56m in 1977. \$319m in 1978, and \$9.04m in the first three quarters of the current year — 310 per cent up on the same period

per cent up on the same period of last year.

Mr Boswell confidently expects the trend to continue. He sees the fundamental demand-supply position as very favoursupply position as very favourable to the mining companies. Inflation and the general scramble for precious metals can only help. Consequently, Sunshine, whose mine is in Idaho, plans to spend between \$250m and \$300m on trebling production to around 15m ounces a year. That is where the Arabs come in.

The price at which Arab Investors is buying Sunshine's stock averages \$21.3. This is a good price, bearing in mind that it stood at around \$162 in mid-November. A leading firm of American silver analysts estimates that Sunshine stands on a prospective price earnings ratio for 1979 of 8.2. The yield, however, is only 2.4 per cent.

Options

Activity among London opuous remained at low ebb yesterday as a result of the extended holiday period. Total contracts amounted to 232 compared with the previous day's figure of 161. Consoli-dated Gold Fields and Gec both attracted what attention there was accounting for 136 contracts. The position in traditional

was much the same. Grand Met proved to be active as were several of the Australian gold shares while a put was arranged in Cons Gold following its recent price

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The only factor in the market's favour was the slightly above-target balances carried forward from Thursday. Against this were a small net take-up of Treasury bills, a small rise in the note circulation, and the large excess of Revenue transfers to the Exche-quer over government disurbsemems.

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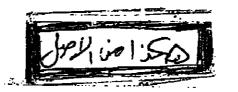
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Failure to disclose changed circumstances may invalidate immigrants' entry certificate

Eefore Lord Justice Stephenson, Lord Justice Eveleigh and Lord Justice Brandon [Judgments delivered Dec 21] Where an immigrant to the United Kingdom fails to disclose a change in the circumstances on which he relied to obtain an entry certificate, failure to do so may amount to obtaining leave by deceit, whether or not such Conduct constitutes a criminal offence, and

the entry certificate may be in-The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by Mohammed Zamir against the refusal of the Divi-sional Court (the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Cumming-Bruce and Mr Justice Neill) of his application for habeas corpus. Miss A. M. Turkan for the appli-

cant : Mr Simon Brown for Home Secretary. LORD JUSTICE EVELEIGH said LORD JUSTICE EVELEIGH Said that on November 25, 1975, when the applicant was 18, a visa was granted to him valid for presentation in the United Kingdom within three months. On the visa was written "Settlement to join father". On February 10, 1976, he married in Polystan and arrived in this country on March 2 height in this country on March 2, being given indefinite leave to enter on the strength of the visa. He had not disclosed his marriage.

When the Home Office was in-formed that the applicant's wife and son had applied to enter the and son had applied to enter the United Kingdom, he was interviewed on August 30, 1978. He said that he had not memtioned his marriage to the entry clearance officer because it had not been arranged until four or five weeks after he had received his visa; that he had also not told the immigration officer of his marriage; and that he had not been asked any questions about it.

It was contended that the appli-

It was contended that the appli-It was contended that the applicant was an illegal immigrant when he came to the United Kingdom. The visa had been granted on the basis that he satisfied paragraph 39 of the Immigration Rules (1973) (HCS1) which provided that "an unuarried and fully dependent son under 21 . . . who formed part of the family unit overseas may be

a married man but was also not fully dependent on his father.
The court was referred to paragraph 10; "... A passenger who holds an entry clearance... is not to he refused leave to enter unless the immigration officer is satisfied that: (a) false representations were employed or material. tations were employed or material facts were concealed, whether or not to the holder's knowledge, for

the purpose of obtaining the clearance, of (h) a change of circumstances since it was issued has removed the basis of the bolder's claim to admission. holder's claim to admission . . ."

The marriage, it was argued, was clearly a change of circumstances: and though the applicant had probably ceased to be dependent on his father before the date of issue the absence of dependency was also such a change or alternatively a material fact which the applicant had concealed for the purpose of obtaining clearance.

For the applicant it was said that the visa was issued on the basis of the application. In so far the marriage was concerned, it was irrelevant and could not the marriage was concerned, it was irrelevant and could not operate as a change of circumstances within paragraph 10. In so far as dependency was relevant the applicant had made no untrue representations and was under no duty to disclose the fact that he was no longer dependent. If the visa had been granted on the basis of paragraph 39 there was no duty to disclose the marriage.

The provisions of the Immigration Act. 1971, were important. An immigrant had no right to enter, and there were conditions which had to be fulfilled. If a person knew that he was ineligible and deliberately concealed information about his circumstances either by an untruthful answer or by silence he was practising a deceit.

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The Lord Chief Justice had referred to the principle that if an entrant was guilty of fraud, if he was guilty of misrepresentation made with a view to obtaining an entry document, the document was vitiated by the fraud. His Lordship had been asked what was

no disclosure by the applicam in circumstances in which one would have expected him, if honest, to make disclosure. His Lordship helieved that the statement of principle was governed by the words " in circumstances in which one could have expected him if

one would have expected him, if honest, to make disclosure". It was not necessary to show an offence under section 26 of the 1971 Act before permission to enter could be invalidated. The question of invalidation on the ground of deceit ought not to be approached by reference to the criminal law.

It was not easy to discuss in strictly legal terms the extent to which a right had been conferred on a person who had obtained a concession by way of favour. Invited guests were entitled to the utmost respect. Gatecrashers were never welcome and had no rights. In deciding whether a person was a garecrasher the minister should a garecrasner me minister saculd be entitled to approach the matter on a commonsense basis. Where a person was neither frank nor honest in the way in which he had obtained leave to enter, his leave could be invalidated when it had been given on a misunderstanding as to his qualifications for which some deceit or trickery on his part was responsible. A on his part was responsible. A reference to honesty was very appropriate in cases not concerned with strict legal rights: see With u O'Flamagan ([1936] Ch 575, 584).

There was abundant evidence upon which the minister could conclude that the applicant knew that his marriage would be fatal to his request for admission and deliberately refrained from revealing it. The dependency question also lent support to the conclusion in so far as the conceniment of the marriage was concerned. in so far as the concealment of the matriage was concerned.

In any event, on the facts, there was evidence of a positive misrepresentation implicit in the presentation. His Lordship agreed with what Lord Justice Stephenson would say on the matter. The appeal should be dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE BRANDON said that there had been considerable argument whether a person seeking leave to enter was

facts even if not asked about them. It was not possible to give a simple answer which would apply in all cases. The categories

On the facts of the case his Lordship agreed with Lord Justice Stephenson.

LORD JUSTICE STEPHENSON LORD JUSTICE STEPHENSON said that there was no reason to consider whether the evidence which the minister had to consider could properly have satisfied a jury that the applicant was guilty of an offence against section 26(1)(b) of the 1971 Act, nor whether there was a second dury whether there was a general duty on immigrants to disclose informa-tion which they were not required by immigration officers to furnish.

The minister had reasonable grounds for deciding that by March 2, 1976, the applicant must have known that the changes in his circumstances might and almost certainly would disqualify him from entering, and lead the immigration officer to refuse leave to enter; and that the applicant's misrepreand that the applicant's instrepte-sentation had not been with-drawn or modified after he had known that it had become false and had deceived the immigration officer into granting leave which would have been refused if he had acted honestly.

had acted honestly.

His Lordship was not sure whether, in approaching the decision in that way, he was taking even a modest step forward along the path laid down by previous authority or whether he was in real disagreement with the Lord Chief Justice in the reason for upholding the decision. The duty to disclose should be confined to changes of circumstances "material to the immlgration history", to which the Lord Chief Justice had clearly confined it, but there was a continuation of a would-be entrant's representation of qualifying status until withdrawn: see With v O'Flunagan and the criminal cases of continuing false pretences.

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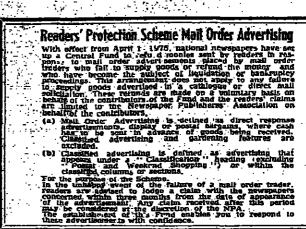
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Blood sample irregularity: conviction upheld Regina v Trump

Before Lord Justice Eveleigh, Mr Justice Wien and Mr Justice (Judgments delivered Dec 21)

Although a specimen of blood taken for establishing an offence of driving under the influence of drink was unlawfully obtained by the police, in that the defendant did not consent within the meaning of section 7(1) of the Road Traffic

of section 7(1) of the Road Traffic Act, 1972, it was within the discretion or the judge to admit the evidence from the specimen. The case was not governed by any rule of compulsory exclusion.

The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by Ronald Charles Henry Trump, aged 35, against conviction at Bristol Crown Court (Deputy Circuit Judge Hawkins) under section 5(1) of the Road Traffic Act. He had been fined £100 and disqualified from driving for a year.

Section 5(1) provides: "A person who, when driving or attempting to drive a motor vehicle on a

son who, when driving or attempting to drive a motor vehicle on a road or other public place, is unfit to drive through drink or drugs shall be guilty of an offence."

Section 7(1) provides: "In any proceedings for an offence under section 5... the court shall... have regard to any evidence which may be given of the proportion or

Queen's Bench Division

Mareva injunction no bar to signing judgment

Stewart Chartering Ltd v C & O declined to permit the plaintiffs
Managements SA and Another so to proceed.

One was therefore presented Managements SA and Another

Before Mr Justice Robert Goff
[Judgment delivered December 21]

The rule preventing a plaintiff
from signing judgment in default
of appearance where the writ is
endorsed with a claim for an
injunction did not avail a defendant against whom a Mareva injunction had been granted.

His Lordship, in an action by
the plaintiffs, Stewart Chartering
Ltd, for a liquidated sum brought
against the defendants, C & O
Managements SA. granted an exparte application by the plaintiffs
for leave to sign judgment in default of appearance. The defendgrafts, who were outside the jurisgiction, had been served with
notice of the writ pursuant to
leave granted under Order II of
the Rules of the Supreme Court.
Order 13, rule 6 provides: "(1)
Where a writ is indorsed with a
claim of a description not mentioned in rules 1 to 4, then, if
any defendent fails to enter an
appearance, the plaintiff may,
after the time lumited for appear. Order 13, rule 6 provides: "(1) Where a writ is indorsed with a claim of a description not mentioned in rules 1 to 4, then, if any defendent fails to enter an appearance, the plaintiff may, after the time limited for appearing... proceed with the action as if that defendant had entered an appearance." A claim for an injunction does not come within rules 1 to 4.

Mr Jonathan Hirst for the plain-HIS LORDSHIP said that In the HIS LORDSHIP said that In the ordinary case, no appearance having been entered, judgment could be entered for the sum claimed without leave of the court; but the matter was complicated by the fact that, in order to obtain a Mareva injunction, the writ had been indorsed with a claim for an injunction. In such circumstances, having regard to Order 13, rule 6, it was not possible for the plaintiffs simply to enter judgment in default of appearance. judgment in default of appearance. Accordingly, the chief clerk in the judgment room had rightly

and the court had power to take the necessary steps, by virtue of its inherent jurisdiction, to pre-vent any such abuse.

In such circumstances the appro-

In such circumstances the appropriate action was to grant the plaintiff leave to enter judgment in default of appearance, notwithstanding that the writ was industed with a claim for an injunction. In addition, the court could order that the Mareva injunction condune in force, after the judgment, in aid of execution; for only so could effect be given to the policy underlying the Mareva jurisdiction.

It was appropriate in the present

It was appropriate in the present cast to give leave to enter judgment in default of appearance and to order that the Mareva injunction to continue in force. The plaintiffs were awarded the costs of the hearing.

Solicitors: Constant & Constant.

The appellant was told at the police station that if he failed to provide a sample of blood or unrine he might make himself liable to imprisonment, a fine and disqualification. He gave a blood sample.

The duty or discretion of a judge

quantity of alcohol or of any drug which was contained in the blood or present in the body of the accused, as ascertained by analysis of a specimem of blood taken from him with his consent by a medical practitioner, or of urine provided by him, . ."

Mr Michael Vyvyan-Jones for the appellant; Mr Graham Jones for the Crown.

LORD JUSTICE EVELEIGH, delivering the reserved judgment of appeal was that a sample of the appellant's blood which revealed an excessive concentration of alcohol had been unlawfully obtained and, consequently, that evidence should have been excluded at his trial.

In September, 1977, the appellant, when driving a car on a road in the Bristol area, colided with another vehicle, did not stop and drove to his home. About half an hour later he was visited by a police officer, who formed the opinion that he had had too much to drink. A breath test proved positive, and he was arrested for drink. The officer purported to discretion to exclude evidence improperly obtained had been recently considered by the House of Lords in R v Sang ([1979] 3 WLR 2631. There it was held (1) that a judge in a criminal trial had a discretion to refuse to admit evidence if its prejudicial effect outweighed its probative value; (2) that an involuntary confession or admission was inadmissible in evidence; and (3) that there was room for further consideration of evidence tantamount to a self-incriminatory admission which was obtained from the defendant, after the offence had been committed, by means which would justify a judge in excluding an actual confession which had the like self-incriminating and room also for consideration of the effect of a judge's duty to ensure a fair trial. Apart from that, there was no general discretion to exclude evidence improperly obtained had been recently consideration of the effect of a judge's duty to ensure a fair trial. Apart from that, there was no general discretion to exclude evidence improperly obtained had been recently consideration of the federation of the failed to provide a excluded at his trial.

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from that, there was no general discretion to exclude evidence im-properly obtained. Traffic Act, 1972. The prosecution conceded that the arrest was un-Their Lordships thought that a lawful.

admissions was recognized to exist by the House of Lords, although the extent of the exception had not been fully considered. His Lordship referred to passages in the speeches in the House including that of Lord Scarman, at page 290. "If an accused is misled or tricked into providing evidence (whether it be an admission or the provision of fingerprints or medical evidence or some other evidence), the rule against self-incrimination—nemo tenetur se ipsum prodere—is likely to be infringed. Each case must, of course, depend on its circumstances."

There were two aspects of the

There were two aspects of the problem before the court. One was whether the court should attempt to discipline the police by seeing to it that irregular behaviour would be fruitless. The other was to ensure that the trial itself was fair. It was possible to regard a trial as being fair even though the evidence was unfairly or improperly obtained.

It was conceded by the appellant that the constable was entitled to demand a specimen of breath for a demand a specimen of breath for a breath test by virtue of section 8(2) of the Act. Further, it was accepted that as the test proved positive the constable had the power of arrest by virtue of section 8(4). Had he exercised that power the result of the analysis of the blood would have been admissible as evidence, for the necessary formalities in the Act would have been complied with. The only flaw was that the officer purported to act under section 5(5) instead of section 8(4). [Section 5(5) related to arrest for a section 5(1)

arrest for a section 5(1) As there had been no deliberate misconduct by the officer, it hardly seemed a case where the court should seek to discipline the police even if there might be cases where the exclusion of evidence for disciplinary reasons might be justified. Similarly, it did not seem to be a case where the evidence to be a case where the evidence could undermine the fairness of the trial or the reliability of the verdict. If the judge had a discre-tion he clearly exercised it pro-

The appellant argued that there was no discretion. He claimed that the evidence was governed by a compulsory exclusionary rule. He sample had been obtained other than by a strict compliance with the procedure. Counsel said that there could have been no convic-

there could have been no conviction under section 6(1). [" If a person drives ... a motor vehicle on a road ... having consumed alcohol in such quantity that the proportion thereof in his blood ... exceeds the prescribed limit ... he shall be guilty of an offence." j And similarly there should be no conviction based upon the analysis for an offence under section 5(1).

under section 5(1).

The essence of the offence undersection 6 was that the proportion of alcohol in the blood exceeded the prescribed limit. That amount had to be ascertained from a laboratory test, for which the accused provided a specimen under section 9. However, the procedure under section 9 was not a condition precedent to the obtaining of a specimen for the purposes of evidence tendered by virtue of section 7. The latter evidence, moreover, had to be admitted for the section prolimited exception in cases analogous to improperly obtained admissions was recognized to exist to be admitted for the section provided that the court must have regard to it.

was anxious to see that no one should be submitted to the indigsnown of submitted to the indig-nity of a breath test and its conse-quences at the whim of any police officer. It thus provided a pro-cedural safeguard. If the safeguard-was complied with, the fact that was complied with, the fact that there might be an irregularity in some other direction could not affect the validity of the analysis for the purposes of section 6.

Furthermore, in so far as the offence under section 5 was concerned, the specimen of blood which revealed the evidence tendered by virtue of section 7 must be taken with the consent of the accused. If he consented, then the court had no power to exclude that evidence.

In the present case it would seem that the appellant gave his consent as a result of the warning that he might be prosecuted for failure to provide the specimen. The officer in giving that warning was following the procedure applicable to obtaining a specimen under section 9, not under section under section 9, not under section

The specimen thus obtained was not a specimen obtained with the accused's consent within the mean-ing of section 7, and therefore there was no obligation to admit the evidence by virtue of section

Their Lordships thought that it' was consistent with all of the speeches in R v Sung to hold that the evidence provided by the appellant, in the circumstances of the present case, should be treated as being subject to the discretion of the judge as to admissibility. It was provided by the appellant as a result of a threat. The officer was responsible for the threat, but he had acted in good faith.

It was a case for the judge's

It was a case for the judge's discretion rather than one for compulsory exclusion because evidence analogous to admissions was so treated in R v Sang. In their Lordships' judgment the judge would have been exercising his discretion improperly if he had excluded the evidence.



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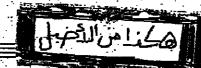
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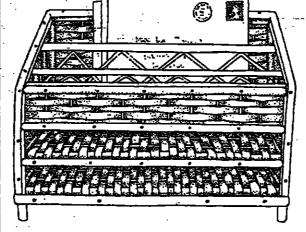
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Said the AA: "The best thing you could buy is a new right foot. We have done a lot of tests on petrol savers and some are positively fraudulent and others only accidentally

The 127 tests they made in controlled conditions showed that not one device lived up to the claims made. Several of the products had been around for up to 30 years and had just been resurrected as alleged petrol savers because of the oil crisis.

However, bearing in mind that, apart from being light on the accelerator, the best way of saving fuel is to concentrate on tuning and ignition, the AA does give its approval to some items which the d-i-y car mechanic will know about already, but which might be new to those, like me, who find that to drive hopefully is better than, to arrive, spanner in hand, at a class in car maintenance.

One is Gunson's Colortune 500, a test spark plug with a glass top that takes the guesswork out of engine tuning. You can see the colour of the com-bustion flame through it and you adjust until it turns blue. If it is orange or yellow, the mixture is too rich. Kit containing plug and accessories available from Halfords and motor accessory shops at prices varying from about £8 to £10.69. The other recommended de-

vice is the Kenlowe electric fan, which replaces the mechanical fan and allows the engine to warm up more quickly. The Thermomatic cooling fan is driven by its own electric motor and so does not use engine power. A sensor measures the water temperature and cuts the fan in automatically only when it is needed. The fan comes complete with

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The prices include postage and VAT and the fans can be obtained from Kenlowe Accessories and Company Limited, Burchetts Green, Maidenhead, Berkshire. They pride themselves on a 48 hour despatch.

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side of your body will do anything for you that other emollients won't.

However, I have been trying out the Tiki range of Vitamin E skin cream, £1.60, hand and body lotion, £1.01 and "high potency" oil, £1.97, and although no one has actually fallen back in amazement at my rejuvenation, I did find them pleasant to use.

pleasant to use.

I have a very dry skin and most so-called moisturisers leave it feeling tight and undernourished. The hand and body lotion does leave the skin feeling smooth and sikky and if you have dry skin, too, I think you will particularly like the skin cream, which is richer than many. pleasant to use.

ream, which is riches than many.
You may also like to know that the Tiki range is made to Beauty Without Cruelty standards and involves no cruelty to animals either in the extraction of the ingredients or in the testing of the products. in the testing of the products. They are available in health shops.



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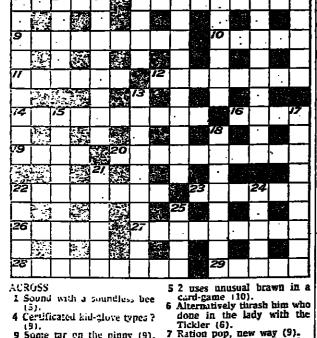
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The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15,109 This puzzle, used at the York regional final of the Cutty Sark!
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14 No longer in straits, near Holland (3, 3, 4).
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20 You'll put one in when 21 Fine linen comes by steemer to us (6).
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